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# FEI JUMPING RULES

## PREAMBLE

The present Jumping Rules (hereinafter JRs) are effective on 1 January 2015. Although these JRs set out the detailed rules of the FEI for international Jumping Events, they must be read in conjunction with the FEI Statutes, the FEI General Regulations (GRs), the FEI Veterinary Regulations (VRs), and all other FEI Rules and Regulations. Articles of the other FEI Rules and Regulations that may be cross-referenced in the JRs are as follows

- (i) 1 – 99 refer to Articles of the FEI Statutes;
- (ii) 100-199 refer to Articles of the FEI GRs;
- (iii) 200-299 refer to Articles of these JRs;
- (iv) 300-399 refer to Articles of the Rules for Jumping Championships and Games;
- (v) 1000-1099 refer to Articles of the FEI VRs.

Every eventuality cannot be provided for in these JRs. In any unforeseen or exceptional circumstances, it is the duty of the appropriate person or body to make a decision in a sporting spirit, by approaching as near as possible the intention of the JRs and of the GRs. Should there remain any omissions in the JRs, such omission shall be interpreted in a manner compatible to the fullest extent with the other provisions of these JRs, other rules and regulations of the FEI, and sporting spirit.

For the sake of brevity these regulations use the masculine form; this is to be interpreted to include both genders. Terms with a capitalized first letter are defined in the Glossary of the JRs, in the GRs or in the Statutes.

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## THE FEI CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE WELFARE OF THE HORSE

The FEI requires all those involved in international equestrian sport to adhere to the FEI Code of Conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the Horse must be paramount. Welfare of the horse must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences. The following points must be particularly adhered to:

### 1. **General Welfare:**

#### a) Good Horse management

Stabling and feeding must be compatible with the best Horse management practices. Clean and good quality hay, feed and water must always be available.

#### b) Training methods

Horses must only undergo training that matches their physical capabilities and level of maturity for their respective disciplines. They must not be subjected to methods which are abusive or cause fear.

#### c) Farriery and tack

Foot care and shoeing must be of a high standard. Tack must be designed and fitted to avoid the risk of pain or injury.

#### d) Transport

During transportation, Horses must be fully protected against injuries and other health risks. Vehicles must be safe, well ventilated, maintained to a high standard, disinfected regularly and driven by competent personnel. Competent handlers must always be available to manage the Horses.

#### e) Transit

All journeys must be planned carefully, and Horses allowed regular rest periods with access to food and water in line with current FEI guidelines.

### 2. **Fitness to compete:**

#### a) Fitness and competence

Participation in Competition must be restricted to fit Horses and Athletes of proven competence. Horses must be allowed suitable rest period between training and competitions; additional rest periods should be allowed following travelling.

#### b) Health status

No Horse deemed unfit to compete may compete or continue to compete, veterinary advice must be sought whenever there is any doubt.

#### c) Doping and Medication

Any action or intent of doping and illicit use of medication constitute a serious welfare issue and will not be tolerated. After any veterinary treatment, sufficient time must be allowed for full recovery before Competition.

#### d) Surgical procedures

Any surgical procedures that threaten a competing Horse's welfare or the safety of other Horses and/or Athletes must not be allowed.

#### e) Pregnant/recently foaled mares

Mares must not compete after their fourth month of pregnancy or with foal at foot.

#### f) Misuse of aids

Abuse of a Horse using natural riding aids or artificial aids (e.g. whips, spurs, etc.) will not be tolerated.

### 3. **Events must not prejudice Horse welfare:**

#### a) Competition areas

Horses must be trained and compete on suitable and safe surfaces. All obstacles and competition conditions must be designed with the safety of the Horse in mind.

#### b) Ground surfaces

All ground surfaces on which Horses walk, train or compete must be designed and maintained to reduce factors that could lead to injury.

#### c) Extreme weather

Competitions must not take place in extreme weather conditions that may compromise welfare or safety of the Horse. Provision must be made for cooling conditions and equipment for Horses after competing.

#### d) Stabling at Events

Stables must be safe, hygienic, comfortable, well ventilated and of sufficient size for the type and disposition of the Horse. Washing-down areas and water must always be available.

### 4. **Humane treatment of horses:**

#### a) Veterinary treatment



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Veterinary expertise must always be available at an Event. If a Horse is injured or exhausted during a Competition, the Athlete must stop competing and a veterinary evaluation must be performed.

### b) Referral centres

Wherever necessary, Horses should be collected by ambulance and transported to the nearest relevant treatment centre for further assessment and therapy. Injured Horses must be given full supportive treatment before being transported.

### c) Competition injuries

The incidence of injuries sustained in Competition should be monitored. Ground surface conditions, frequency of Competitions and any other risk factors should be examined carefully to indicate ways to minimise injuries.

### d) Euthanasia

If injuries are sufficiently severe a Horse may need to be euthanized on humane grounds by a veterinarian as soon as possible, with the sole aim of minimising suffering.

### e) Retirement

Horses must be treated sympathetically and humanely when they retire from Competition.

## 5. Education:

The FEI urges all those involved in equestrian sport to attain the highest possible levels of education in areas of expertise relevant to the care and management of the Competition Horse.

This Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse may be modified from time to time and the views of all are welcomed. Particular attention will be paid to new research findings and the FEI encourages further funding and support for welfare studies.

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## CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION

### ARTICLE 200 GENERAL

1. A Jumping Competition is one in which the combination of Horse and Athlete is tested under various conditions over a course of obstacles. It is a test intended to demonstrate the Horse's freedom, its energy, its skill, its speed and its obedience in Jumping and the Athlete's horsemanship. It is essential that strict and detailed JRs are established to regulate Competitions.
2. If an Athlete makes certain Faults such as knocking down an obstacle, refusing, exceeding the time allowed, etc. he incurs Penalties. The winner of the Competition is the Athlete who incurs the least number of Penalties, completes the course in the fastest time or gains the highest number of points, depending on the type of Competition.
3. Variety in Jumping Competitions is encouraged. Therefore, while the JRs are intended to standardise the rules and regulations which apply to Jumping Competitions, they are not intended to standardise the nature of the Competitions since variety provides a precious element of interest for Athletes and spectators alike.
4. Other Competitions may be authorised by the Jumping Director in consultation with the Chair of the Jumping Committee, provided their conditions comply with the requirements set forth in the GRs and in the JRs. Detailed conditions of each Competition must be set out clearly in the Schedule and in the programme of the Event. OCs are not permitted to organise Competitions unless the FEI has approved the conditions according to which these Competitions may be run. OCs wishing to organise international Competitions for five year old Horses must apply for permission to the FEI through their National Federation (hereinafter "NF"). The conditions according to which these Competitions may be run must be approved by the FEI in writing.
5. Competitions must be fair for all Athletes. To achieve this objective, the use of all technical assistance available including but not limited to official video recordings is permitted to assist FEI Officials in carrying out their responsibilities under FEI Rules & Regulations. For official video recordings to be accepted under the FEI Rules & Regulations, they must be presented to the President of the Ground Jury within 30 minutes after the official results are announced. An official video recording is considered to be a recording made by the designated host broadcaster and/or any other accredited broadcaster and/or a designated official video recording company as named by the OC and/or the FEI prior to the Event in question). Videos recorded by any other entity are not acceptable under any circumstances. A review of the video recording is solely at the discretion of the President of the Ground Jury. If the Ground Jury relies on video evidence to alter the outcome of any Competition after the results have been communicated, such a video recording must contain irrefutable evidence that the original ruling or decision was incorrect. A video recording may never be used to establish the time of an Athlete's round (see JRs Art. 229.5). The use of a video shall always be within the confines of the applicable rules and must never by its usage alter the rules currently in effect. With reference to the water jump the decision of the water jump judge is final. (see JRs Art. 211.8)
6. Expenses
  - 6.1. Chefs d'Equipe, Team Veterinarians, Athletes, Grooms and Horses
    - 6.1.1. OCs of World and Continental Championships for Seniors are responsible for meeting the costs for accommodation and meals from one day before the Horse inspection until one day after the Event and for travelling Expenses of Chefs d'Equipe, team Veterinarians, Athletes and Horses belonging to the official Teams and of their grooms, from the frontier of the host NF's country, or the point of arrival in the host NF's country, to the place of the Event, including the cost of loading on and unloading from a ship or aircraft, of quarantine as well as customs duties in the host NF's country. The same applies for the return journey.
    - 6.1.2. OCs of CSIOs are responsible for meeting the costs for accommodation and meals from one day before the first official Competition until one day after the Event for Chefs d'Equipe, Athletes and Horses belonging to the official teams and of their grooms. Reimbursement of travelling expenses is not obligatory for CSIOs. At the discretion of the OC, the same conditions as above may be offered, in whole or in part, to any individual Athletes entered in addition to the official teams at CSIOs.
    - 6.1.4. OCs are under no obligation to meet any of these expenses beyond the time limits published in the Schedule, or to meet any travelling or accommodation expenses of any other persons who may be associated with the official Teams.
    - 6.1.5. If not otherwise specified in the FEI Rules and Regulations, the scale of expenses for the travel and accommodation of Athletes and grooms and the stabling and fodder for the Horses must be published in the Schedule and must cover the reasonable cost of accommodation and meals.
  - 6.2. Expenses for Officials
    - 6.2.1. The OCs shall meet the travelling, accommodation and meals Expenses of all Officials as follows:
      - 6.2.1.1 Reimbursement of Travel Costs

Officials should be offered a convenient travel solution, where total travel time and number of stops are minimised. Proposed travel plans must be submitted to the Official for approval before bookings are made. For non-stop flights with a duration of six or more hours, Business Class must be offered. In any case individual air travel arrangement can be made between the OC and the Official, e.g. a higher per diem for travelling Economy Class.
      - 6.2.2.2 Transportation

Suitable arrangements for airport and hotel transportation should be made in advance with the Official. Transportation to and from the home airport and parking expenses at the home airport must be reimbursed by the OC. If transportation is

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not provided by the OC from the arrival airport/station to the hotel/venue, all costs incurred will be reimbursed to the Official.

### 6.2.2.3 Meals

Two proper meals a day (in addition to breakfast) must be provided to all Officials during the period of the Event. If the OC fails to provide these, the Official will be entitled to an additional daily allowance of EUR 25.- per meal.

### 6.2.2.4 Accommodation

This should be provided in a minimum 3\* hotel and include breakfast. Officials shall not be required to share a room with another Official(s).

### 6.2.2.5 Per Diem (Daily Allowance)

A per diem allowance of minimum 120 Euros per day per Official must be offered to all FEI Officials during the period of the Event. This remuneration for miscellaneous costs is to be provided net after relevant taxes being borne by the OC. A per diem will be paid in addition for a maximum total of one travel day if the Official's travel day(s) is/are different from the officiating days.

6.2.2. FEI appointed Officials whose Expenses are to be paid by the OC shall be appointed with the agreement of the OC.

6.3 For expenses at other FEI Championships, FEI World Cup™ Finals, FEI Nations Cup™ Finals and Olympic Games see the specific rules for these Events. Expenses at Regional Championships and Regional Games are left to the discretion of the OC.

7. If the FEI has reason to suspect that an OC will not be able to meet its financial obligations, the NF concerned will be authorised to require that Event to be secured by financial guarantees such as a bank guarantee or through an escrow account. Information will be included in the Event Schedule to indicate whether the Event has such financial guarantees or not. If the FEI is aware of an Event that is likely to default on payment of prize money, the Athletes will be informed through their NF. If in spite of all precautions taken an OC fails to meet its financial obligations to the FEI and Athletes, it will not be permitted to organise another Event until all outstanding debts have been settled; furthermore the total prize money foreseen for the next event that OC wishes to organise must be secured ahead of time in an account jointly held by the OC and the NF.

## 8. Calendar

For the avoidance of doubt, all references to CSI5\* and CSIO5\* Events in the paragraphs below (Art. 200.8) include CSI5\*-W and CSIO5\*-W Events.

The dates of all CSI5\* and CSIO5\* Events shall be approved by the FEI Secretary General two years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place.

The dates of all FEI World Cup™ Western European League Events must be entered in the FEI calendar by 1 October three years prior to the year in which the event is to take place and shall be approved by the FEI Secretary General two years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place. Consequently, applications for the dates of CSI5\* outside of Western Europe and CSIO5\* Events to be inserted in the FEI Calendar must be received by the FEI Secretary General by 1 October two years prior to the year in which the Event takes place and the dates of FEI World Cup™ Western European League Events must be received by the FEI Secretary General by 1 October three years prior to the year in which the Event takes place.

For late date applications and/or modifications of CSI5\* and CSIO5\* Events received between 2 October two years prior to the year in which the Event is to take place and 1 October one year prior to the year in which the Event is to take place, any NF and/or OC of a 5\* Event already entered in the calendar that may be deemed to be affected by the acceptance of such late date application and/or modification shall be given the opportunity to provide its opinion and if objecting to the late addition or modification of dates must explain the reasons for the objection. After an evaluation of the reasons for an objection, the Secretary General may accept the late addition or modification. For late date application and/or modification of CSI5\* and CSIO5\* Events received after 1 October one year prior to the year in which the Event is to take place, the procedure established in GRs Art. 112.7 will apply.

CSI5\* and CSIO5\* Events are not permitted to clash with FEI World Cup™ Western European League Events unless the OCs involved are in agreement; CSI5\* and CSIO5\* Events are not permitted to clash with the FEI World Cup™ Jumping Final or with the FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Final.

From the Monday of the week preceding and all days during the World and Continental Jumping Championships for Seniors it is forbidden to host an FEI World Cup™ Competition, a CSI4\*, CSIO4\*, CSI5\* or a CSIO5\* on the same Continent as the Championship.

There shall be no FEI World Cup™ Competition (worldwide) 10 days prior to, all days during and seven days after the Jumping Events at the Olympic Games; there shall be no FEI World Cup™ Competition 10 days prior to, all days during and seven days after the Jumping Events at the Pan-American Games on the same continent.

From the Monday of the week preceding and all days during the Jumping Events at the World Equestrian Games and the Olympic Games and the FEI World Cup™ Jumping Final it is forbidden to host an FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Event (worldwide).

From the Monday of the week preceding and all days during the Continental Championship for Seniors it is forbidden to host an FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Event on the same continent as the Championship.

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From the Monday of the week preceding and all days during the Jumping Event of the Pan-American Games it is forbidden to host an FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Events in the Americas.

From the Monday of the week preceding and all days during the Jumping Event of the Asian Games it is forbidden to host an FEI Nations Cup™ Jumping Event in Asia.

### 9. Stables

All Horses must be stabled in the official stables provided by the OC for the duration of the Event. In case the Horse(s) are moved to a different stable other than the official stables provided by the OC without the authorisation of the Ground Jury the Horse(s) will be disqualified from the Event.

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## CHAPTER II ARENAS AND SCHOOLING AREAS

### ARTICLE 201 ARENA, SCHOOLING AREAS AND PRACTICE OBSTACLES

1. The arena must be enclosed. While a Horse is in the arena during a Competition, all entrances and exits must be physically closed.
2. An indoor Competition arena must have minimum size of 1'200 m<sup>2</sup> with a minimum width on the short side of 20 metres. An outdoor Competition arena must have a minimum size of 4'000 m<sup>2</sup> with a minimum width on the short side of 50 metres. An exception to this rule may be granted, where circumstances warrant, by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Chair of the Jumping Committee.
3. The Schooling Areas

The OC must provide at least one schooling area sufficiently large for optimal training conditions. There must be a minimum of one vertical and one spread obstacle. The ground has to be in proper condition for the training of Horses. When there are many Athletes and sufficient space, additional obstacles should be provided. All obstacles must be constructed in the usual manner and provided with red and white flags. However, the flags may be replaced by tape or paint in order to provide a white and a red top to the wings or uprights.

Where space permits and the number of Athletes is large, a separate schooling area may be designated.
4. Practice Obstacles

The use of obstacle material not provided by the OC is forbidden under Penalty of Disqualification and/or Fine (see JRs Art. 242.2.6 and 240.2.5). Practice obstacles may only be jumped in the direction for which they are flagged. No part of the practice obstacles may be physically held by any person.

  - 4.1. Ground lines may be placed directly underneath the first part of an obstacle or up to one metre away on the take-off side. If there is a ground-line in front of the obstacle, a ground-line may be used behind the obstacle at an equal distance up to a maximum of one metre.
  - 4.2. Any obstacles 1.30 m or higher must have a minimum of two poles, in cups, on the take-off side of the obstacle, regardless of whether or not a ground line is used. The lower pole must always be below 1.30 m.
  - 4.3. If crossed poles are used as the top part of an obstacle, they must be able to fall individually. The top end of the poles must be in a cup. However, there can be a horizontal top pole behind the crossed poles, which must be at least 20 centimetres higher than the centre of the crossed poles.
  - 4.4. The top poles of an obstacle must always be in cups at both ends. If the pole is resting on the edge of a cup it must be on the far edge and never on the near edge.
  - 4.5. For Competitions where the maximum obstacle height is 1.40m or less, the obstacles in the practice arena may not exceed in height and width ten centimetres more than the actual maximum height and width of the obstacles of the Competition in progress. If the obstacle height of the Competition in progress is greater than 1.40 m, the obstacles in the practice arena may not exceed 1.60 m in height and 1.80 m in width.
  - 4.6. It is not permitted to walk Horses over poles when these are elevated or placed in cups at one or both ends.
  - 4.7. The OC may provide material to simulate a water ditch.
5. Gymnastic Training
  - 5.1. Athletes may train their Horses in gymnastic exercises using placing poles on the ground, but obstacles used for this purpose may not exceed 1.30 m in height. Athletes using such obstacles must not violate the rules against rapping (see JRs Art. 243.2.1).
  - 5.2. Placing Poles: if there is enough space placing poles may be used and placed on the ground not closer than 2.50 m on the take-off side of a vertical obstacle not exceeding 1.30 m in height. A placing pole may be used on the landing side not closer than 2.50 m when the obstacle is jumped at the trot or three metres if at the canter.
  - 5.3. Exercising and Training: whenever possible provision should be made for Athletes to exercise and train in the presence of a steward for several hours in the morning. Athletes may change obstacles providing JRs Art. 201.4, 201.5 and 201.6 are not contravened.
6. Combinations are permitted as long as there is enough space and if they are built with correct distances. The OC must provide the material.

When training areas are crowded Athletes may only use single obstacles.
7. The schooling area(s) must always be supervised by a steward when in use.

### ARTICLE 202 ACCESS TO THE ARENA AND PRACTICE OBSTACLE

1. Athletes on foot may only be admitted once to the arena before each Competition and this includes Competitions with jump-off(s). Entry into the arena will be prohibited by means of a notice "Arena Closed" placed at the entrance or conspicuously in the middle of the arena. Permission to enter the arena will be given by the Ground Jury ringing the bell and by displaying a notice "Arena Open". An announcement must also be made over the public address system. However, in Competitions over two rounds with different courses, Athletes may inspect the course before the second round.

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2. The OC of an indoor Event where facilities for exercising are severely limited, may, with the agreement of the Ground Jury, give special permission for the arena to be used for exercising at specified times.
3. If the schooling areas are inadequate or cannot be used, a practice obstacle which is not part of the course must be placed in the arena. In all other circumstances, facultative or practice obstacles are not allowed in any Competition. In certain special competitions (including but not limited to the Six Bar or Puissance Competition) the Ground Jury may decide that the Athletes remaining in the Competition must stay in the arena after the first or second jump-off. In this case, the Ground Jury must allow a practice obstacle in the arena.
4. The practice obstacle must be a spread obstacle not exceeding 1.40 m in height and 1.60 m in spread or a vertical obstacle not exceeding 1.40 m in height, provided with red and white flags and should not be numbered. These dimensions may not be altered during the course of the Competition. Only two attempts at this obstacle are allowed. Jumping or attempting to jump this practice obstacle more than twice entails a fine in addition to the possible Disqualification (see JRs Art. 242.2.3 and 240.2.6).

Jumping the practice obstacle in the wrong direction may incur disqualification (see JRs Art. 242.2.7).

The Athlete is allowed 90 seconds maximum to make these attempts, counted from the time the Ground Jury rings the bell.

A knock down, Refusal or run out count as an attempt. If there is a Refusal at the first attempt with a knock down or displacing of the obstacle, this obstacle is to be reset and the Athlete is allowed to make a second and final attempt. The time taken to reset the obstacle is neutralised.

The Ground Jury must give the signal to start the round after the Athlete has made his attempt(s) or after 90 seconds. After the sound of the bell, the Athlete who has attempted only once, is allowed the second attempt but he must cross the starting line in the correct direction within 45 seconds; failure to do so will start the time of the round (see JRs Art. 203.1.2).

5. Athletes may not jump or attempt to jump any obstacle in the arena during a parade before the Competition. Failure to comply with this paragraph may incur Disqualification (see JRs Art. 242.2.4).
6. A prize winner may only jump an obstacle for the benefit of the press with the permission of the Ground Jury, provided it does not form part of a subsequent round. This practice should not be encouraged.

### ARTICLE 203 BELL

1. The bell is used to communicate with the Athletes. One of the members of the Ground Jury is in charge of the bell and responsible for its use. The bell is used:
  - 1.1. to give permission to the Athletes to enter the arena when the course is ready for their inspection (see JRs Art. 202.1) and to signal that the inspection time is over;
  - 1.2. to give the signal to start and to activate a 45-seconds countdown shown in the timing equipment in the scoreboard or in another display beside the arena.

The 45-seconds countdown sets the time that the Athlete can spare before commencing his round. The Ground Jury has the right to interrupt the 45-seconds countdown if unforeseen circumstances occur. Incidents such as, but not limited to, disobediences and falls, occurring between the signal to start and up to the moment the Athlete crosses the starting line in the correct direction, are not penalised (see JRs Art. 235.3). After the bell has rung, crossing the starting line in the correct direction for a second time before jumping the first obstacle is counted as a Disobedience.

However, the Ground Jury, in its discretion if the situation so warrants, has the right not to activate the start or to cancel the starting procedure, give a new signal to start and restart the countdown.

- 1.3. to stop an Athlete for any reason or following an unforeseen incident and to signal to him to continue his round after an interruption (see JRs Art. 217.4 and 233);
- 1.4. to indicate the Athlete that an obstacle knocked down following a Disobedience has been replaced (see JRs Art. 233);
- 1.5. to indicate by prolonged and repeated ringing that the Athlete has been eliminated.
2. If the Athlete does not obey the signal to stop, he may be eliminated at the discretion of the Ground Jury (see JRs Art. 241.4.5) except where specifically provided for under JRs Art. 233.2.
3. If, after an interruption, the Athlete restarts and jumps or attempts to jump without waiting for the bell to ring, he will be eliminated (see JRs Art. 241.3.14).

### ARTICLE 204 COURSE AND MEASURING

1. The Ground Jury must walk the course to inspect it before the start of the Competition. The course is the track, which the mounted Athlete must follow when competing from passing the start in the correct direction up to the finish. The length must be measured accurately to the nearest metre taking account, particularly on the turns, the normal line to be followed by the Horse. This normal line must pass through the middle of the obstacle.
2. In Championship Competitions, Olympic Games, Nations Cup and Grand Prix Competitions, the President of the Ground Jury or his designee must ensure that the Course Designer has properly measured the course. At Championships, Finals, Games and all 5\* Events, the President of the Ground Jury or his designee must walk the course with the Course Designer to ensure that the course is properly measured with a wheel. In exceptional cases, the Ground Jury may alter the time, if the conditions as mentioned in JRs Art. 204.3 apply.

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3. Once the Competition has started only the Ground Jury in consultation with the Course Designer, and the Technical Delegate if present, may decide that a significant error has been committed in the measurement of the course. This may be done at the latest after the third Athlete, who has completed the course without a Disobedience or any other interruption, assuming that the three Athletes in question have started their course prior to the 45-second countdown elapsing, and before the next Athlete has started. In this case, the Ground Jury has the option to alter the time allowed. If the time allowed is increased, the Score of the Athletes who have jumped the course before the time was altered will then be adjusted accordingly, if applicable. If the time allowed is decreased, this may only be done to the extent that no Athlete having previously completed his round receives time penalties due to the alteration of the time allowed.
4. If the condition of the footing becomes bad, the Ground Jury may alter the speed provided for in the Schedule, before the start of the first Athlete of the Competition.
5. The total length of the course in metres may never exceed the number of obstacles in the Competition multiplied by 60.
6. The starting and finishing lines may not be more than 15 m or less than six metres from the first and last obstacle. These two lines must each be marked with an entirely red flag on the right and an entirely white flag on the left. The start line and finish line must also be marked with markers with the letters S (= Start) and F (= Finish).

### ARTICLE 205 COURSE PLAN

1. The Course Designer must give the Ground Jury a copy of the course plan showing accurately all the details of the course. An exact copy of the course plan given to the Ground Jury must be posted as close as possible to the entrance of the arena, at least 30 minutes before the beginning of each Competition. For all Competitions the track as measured by the Course Designer must be indicated on the course plan that is posted prior to the Competition.
2. The obstacles are numbered consecutively in the order in which they must be jumped, except in certain Competitions, as specified in the JRs.
3. Combination obstacles carry only a single number. This number may be repeated at each element for the benefit of the Ground Jury and Athletes. In this case, distinguishing letters will be added (for example: 8A, 8B, 8C, etc.).
4. The plan must indicate the following:
  - 4.1. the position of the starting and finishing lines. During a round, unless otherwise indicated, these may be re-crossed without Penalty;
  - 4.2. the relative position, type (spread or vertical obstacle, triple bar), numbering and lettering of obstacles;
  - 4.3. any compulsory turning points marked by a white flag on the left side and a red flag on the right;
  - 4.4. the track to be followed by Athletes marked either by a continuous line (in which case it must be followed precisely) or by a series of arrows showing the direction in which each obstacle must be jumped (in which case the Athlete is free to choose his own track). Should there be a compulsory section in an otherwise unrestricted course, both methods must be used on the same plan;
  - 4.5. the table of Penalties to be used;
  - 4.6. the speed for the Competition if applicable;
  - 4.7. the length of the course;
  - 4.8. the time allowed and the time limit, if any; or the fixed time in certain Competitions, as specified in the JRs;
  - 4.9. the obstacles, the length, the time allowed and the time limit for the jump-offs;
  - 4.10. the combinations considered as completely closed or as partially closed (see JRs Art. 214);
  - 4.11. all decisions and/or modifications made by the Ground Jury in regard to the course.

### ARTICLE 206 ALTERATIONS TO THE COURSE

1. Should force of circumstances make it necessary to alter the plan of the course after it has been posted, the change may only be made after agreement of the Ground Jury. In this case the Chefs d'Equipe and all individual Athletes must be advised of the alterations.
2. Once the Competition has begun, the conditions under which it is run may not be altered and the course or its obstacles may not be changed unless otherwise stipulated in the JRs (see Art. 204.3). If it becomes necessary to interrupt the Competition (because of a storm or bad light, etc.) it must subsequently be continued using the same obstacles and course and as far as possible under the same conditions and at the exact point where it was interrupted. However, for the Nations Cup, JRs Art. 264.3.6 applies.
3. Notwithstanding paragraph 2 above, an obstacle may be re-sited during a round, or between rounds of a Competition, if in the opinion of the Ground Jury a deterioration in the state of the going or other special circumstances necessitates such action. Obstacles, which cannot be re-sited, such as water jumps, ditches or permanent obstacles, must be taken out of the course. If an obstacle has been taken out of the course during a round, the Scores of all previous Athletes penalised during this round at that obstacle must be adjusted by cancelling jumping Penalties and time corrections incurred thereat. All Eliminations and time Penalties already incurred will stand.
4. If necessary, a new time allowed and time limit shall be fixed for the course as altered under paragraph 3 above.

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## ARTICLE 207      **FLAGS**

1. Completely red flags and completely white flags must be used to mark the following details of the course:
  - 1.1. the starting line; it is obligatory to place also a marker S (see JRs Art. 204.6);
  - 1.2. the limits of the obstacles; the flags may be attached to any part of the wings of the obstacles. They may also stand independently. One red flag and one white flag must be placed at vertical obstacles and at least two red and two white flags to define the limits of spread obstacles. They must also be used to mark the limits of the obstacles provided in the schooling areas (JRs Art. 201.3) or the practice obstacle in the arena (JRs Art. 202.3); in the schooling area it is also allowed to use wings/uprights with a red or white top, instead of flags;
  - 1.3. compulsory turning points;
  - 1.4. the finishing line; it is obligatory to place also a marker F (JRs Art. 204.6);
2. At the obstacles, the starting and finishing lines and at the compulsory turning points, the Athlete must pass between the flags (red on his right and white on his left). Flag poles defining the limits of the landing side of the water jump must be made of material that cannot shatter or splinter and must bend when hit; flags must have no sharp points or corners.
3. If an Athlete passes the flags on the wrong side, he must retrace his steps and pass them on the correct side before continuing his round. If he does not correct this mistake, he will be eliminated (see JRs Art. 220.1.2).
4. Knocking down a flag anywhere in the arena does not incur a Penalty. If a flag marking the limits of an obstacle or compulsory turning point or the finishing line has been knocked down following a Disobedience / Resistance, (without passing these lines) or as a result of unforeseen circumstances, the flag will not be replaced immediately; the Athlete must continue his round and the obstacle /compulsory turning point will be judged as if the flag was in its original place. The flag must be replaced before the next Athlete will be given the signal to start.
5. However, if a flag defining the limits of the water jump or of a natural obstacle has been knocked down following a Disobedience or as a result of unforeseen circumstances and in all cases where the nature of the obstacle is changed by knocking down the flag, the Ground Jury will interrupt the round of the Athlete. The clock must be stopped while the flag is replaced and a time correction of six seconds will be applied in accordance with the procedure provided for in JRs Art. 232.
6. In certain Competitions, the starting and finishing lines may be crossed in both directions. In this case the lines must be provided with four flags; a red and a white flag at each end of these lines.



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## CHAPTER III OBSTACLES

### ARTICLE 208 OBSTACLES - GENERAL

1. The obstacles must be inviting in their overall shape and appearance, varied and match their surroundings. Both the obstacles themselves and their constituent parts must be such that they can be knocked down, while not being so light that they fall at the slightest touch or so heavy that they may cause Horses to fall or be injured.
2. The obstacles must be designed with horsemanship and fairness in mind.
3. A sponsored obstacle is any obstacle inside the flags of which there is advertising material or a sponsor's product or representation of a product. If advertising material or representation of a product on the wing of an obstacle is more than 0.50 m<sup>2</sup>, the obstacle is also considered to be a sponsored obstacle. If the wings of an obstacle have advertising of 0.50 m<sup>2</sup> or less, the obstacle is not considered a sponsored obstacle. No more than 30%, rounded up to the next whole number of the efforts, may be sponsored obstacles.

This paragraph applies to World and Continental Championships and FEI World Cup™ Final and other Events or Competitions as designated by the FEI. The Technical Delegate must approve the design and construction of all obstacles with regard to safety and technical suitability.

In agreement with the Chair of the Jumping Committee, FEI Commercial Director and FEI Director Jumping, the number of sponsored efforts may be increased up to 50%.

4. The maximum height of obstacles in the first round of any Competition which takes place within the frame of an Event classified according to GRs Art. 102.6 is:
  - (i) 1.40 m for CSI1\* Events;
  - (ii) cannot exceed 1.45 m for CSI2\* Events.

The above does not apply for Six Bar and Puissance Competitions.

5. Under no circumstances, except in Six-Bar, Puissance and Power and Skill Competitions may any obstacle exceed 1.70 m in height. Spread obstacles must not exceed two metres in spread with the exception of triple bars which may have a maximum spread of 2.20 m. This applies also in the case of one or of several jump-offs. The water jump may not exceed 4.50 m in spread including the take off element.
6. Poles and other parts of the obstacles are held up by supports (cups). The pole must be able to roll on its support; in this case the support must have a depth of 18 mm minimum and a depth of 30 mm maximum. For planks, balustrades, barriers, gates, etc. the diameter of the supports must be more open or even flat.
7. The limits on the height and spread of obstacles set forth by these JRs and in the definite Schedules must be observed with the greatest care. However, if it should happen that a maximum dimension has been marginally exceeded as a result of the material used for construction and/or by the position of the obstacle on the ground, the maximum dimensions set forth will not be considered as having been exceeded, providing every effort has been made to not exceed the maximum dimensions specified in the Schedule with the material available.
8. The approximate dimensions of obstacles in Competitions other than those, which are specially set forth in the JRs, must be stipulated in the Schedule.

### ARTICLE 209 VERTICAL OBSTACLE

1. An obstacle whatever its construction may only be called a vertical when faults are judged on the same vertical plane.

### ARTICLE 210 SPREAD OBSTACLE

1. A spread obstacle is an obstacle which is built in such a manner that it requires an effort both in spread and in height. FEI-approved safety cups must be used as support for the back pole of spread obstacles and in case of a triple-bar to support the centre and back poles of the obstacle. Approved safety cups must be used in the Competition arena and schooling areas.
2. The President of the Ground Jury is responsible for the rules relating to safety cups to be followed. The Foreign Judge will report any non-compliance of the rules to the FEI. The name of the company which supplies the FEI approved safety cups, to be used at the Event, will be mentioned in the Schedule.

### ARTICLE 211 WATER JUMP, WATER JUMP WITH VERTICAL AND LIVERPOOL

1. For an obstacle to be called a water jump, there must be no obstacle in front, in the middle or behind the water. The water must have a minimum spread in excess of two metres and must be dug into the ground. For details of how the water jump should be constructed refer to Annex VII.

If the water jump does not meet the specifications as described in Annex VII, a vertical obstacle must be placed over the water as described in JRs Art. 211.10c
2. A take-off element (brush, small wall), with a minimum height of 40 cm and a maximum height of 50 cm, must be erected on the take-off side. The width of the front of the water jump must be at least 30% greater than the length.

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3. At Olympic and Regional Games, FEI Championships, CSIOs and CSIs the landing side of the water jump must be defined by a lath, at least six centimetres in width and not exceeding eight centimetres, covered with a bed of contrasting coloured plasticine (i.e. white plasticine if grass footing, coloured plasticine if sand), about one centimetre thick. This plasticine must be replaced each time a Horse touches it. Several spare laths must be provided together with extra plasticine so that a lath, which has been marked by a Horse, may be replaced at any time. The lath must be placed at the edge of the water, properly fixed to the ground (i.e. directly on the sand or grass footing).
4. If the bottom of the water jump is made of concrete or hard material, it must be covered with a softer material such as a coconut or rubber mat.
5. It is a Fault at the water jump:
  - 5.1. when a Horse puts one or several feet on the lath defining the limit of the water jump. It is a Fault when the foot or the shoe touches the lath and leaves an impression; impression of the fetlock joint or boot does not constitute a fault.
  - 5.2. when a Horse touches the water with one or several feet.
6. Striking, knocking down, or displacing the brush or take-off element is not a Fault.
7. If one of the four flags is knocked down or displaced it is for the water jump Judge to decide whether or not there has been a Run-out depending on which side of the flag the Horse has passed. If the decision is a Run-out the bell will be rung and the clock stopped while the flag, which has been knocked down or displaced is put back and six seconds will be added in accordance with JRs Art. 232.
8. The decision of the water jump Judge is final. For this reason he must be a member of the Ground Jury.
9. The water jump Judge must register the identification number of Horses penalised at the water jump and the reason for the Penalties.
10. Only a vertical obstacle of not more than 1.50 m in height having any number of poles but with the use of FEI-approved safety cups may be placed over open water. The vertical obstacle must not be placed further than two metres from the front of this obstacle. This obstacle is judged as a vertical obstacle and not as a water jump. For this reason it is not necessary to use a lath or other arrangement to define its limits. If a lath is used it is to be considered a visual aid only; Penalties will not be incurred for any imprints on the lath. The same applies if the take-off element is displaced. Only poles with a minimum length of 3.50 m may be used for a vertical placed over a water jump.
11. With the exception of the case set forth in Art. 211.10, if water is used under, in front of or behind an obstacle (a so-called "Liverpool") the total spread of the obstacle (including the water) may not exceed two metres. Open water with a spread of more than two metres may not be used as a Liverpool.
12. The Technical Delegate or the Foreign Judge if there is no Technical Delegate may, at his discretion, decide whether the water jump may be used in Competitions held under floodlight.

### ARTICLE 212 COMBINATION OBSTACLES

1. Double, treble or higher combinations mean a group of two or more obstacles, with distances between the elements of seven metres minimum and 12 metres maximum (except for Hunting or Speed and Handiness Competitions judged under Table C and for permanent fixed obstacles where the distance may be less than 7 metres which require two or more successive efforts. The distance is measured from the base of the obstacle on the landing side to the base of the next obstacle on the take-off side.
2. In combinations, each element of the group must be jumped separately and consecutively, without circling around any element. Faults committed at any element of a combination are penalised separately.
3. When there is a Refusal, Run-out, the Athlete must retake all the elements unless it is a closed combination or partially closed combination (see JRs Art. 214) or a Six Bar or obstacles-in-line Competition.
4. Penalties for Faults made at each element and during different attempts, are counted separately and added together.
5. In a combination obstacle a triple bar may only be used as the first element.

### ARTICLE 213 BANKS, MOUNDS, AND RAMPS

1. With exception of JRs Art. 213.2, banks, mounds, ramps and sunken roads irrespective of whether they include any sort of obstacle and in whatever direction they should be taken, are to be regarded as combination obstacles (see JRs Art. 212).
2. A bank or mound without an obstacle or with only one or several poles over it may be jumped in one effort. This method of jumping the obstacle incurs no Penalty.
3. No banks, mounds, sunken roads, talus, slopes or ramps, except table banks not exceeding one metre in height, may be used at indoor Events.

### ARTICLE 214 CLOSED COMBINATIONS, PARTIALLY CLOSED & PARTIALLY OPEN COMBINATIONS

1. A combination is considered to be completely closed, if the sides, which surround it, can only be surmounted by jumping.

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2. A closed combination may be in the form of an in-and-out, sheep pen, (square or hexagonal) or any similar obstacle considered as a closed combination by decision of the Ground Jury. A combination is considered as partially open and partially closed if one part of this combination is open and the other closed. In the event of a Refusal, Run-out, the following procedure applies (see JRs Art. 219):
    - 2.1. if the Disobedience occurred in the closed part, the Athlete must jump out in the direction of the course;
    - 2.2. if the Disobedience occurred in the open part, the Athlete must take the whole obstacle again. Failure to do so incurs Elimination (see JRs Art. 241.3.15).
- In the event of a Disobedience with a knock down and/or displacing of the obstacle at any part, a time correction of six seconds must apply. If, once inside the enclosure, the Horse refuses the Athlete must jump out in the direction of the course. The six seconds Penalty is added to the time when the clock is restarted and the Athlete resumes his round.
3. The Ground Jury must decide before the Competition whether the combination is to be considered as closed or partially closed. This decision must be shown on the plan of the course.
  4. If a combination is not mentioned on the plan of the course as closed or partially closed, it must be considered as an open combination and judged as such.

## ARTICLE 215 ALTERNATIVE OBSTACLES AND JOKER

1. When in a Competition two obstacles of the course carry the same number, the Athlete has the choice of jumping either one of the obstacles:
  - 1.1. if there is a Refusal or Run-out without a knock-down or displacing of the obstacle, at his next attempt the Athlete is not obliged to jump the obstacle at which the Refusal or Run-out occurred. He may jump the obstacle of his choice;
  - 1.2. if there is a Refusal or Run-out with a knock-down or displacing of the obstacle, he may only restart his round when the obstacle knocked down or displaced has been replaced and when the Ground Jury gives him the signal to start. He may then jump the obstacle of his choice.
2. Red and white flags must be placed at each of the elements of this alternative obstacle.
3. The Joker is a difficult obstacle and must be designed with horsemanship and fairness in mind. It may only be used in an Accumulator Competition or in a Top Score Competition.

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## CHAPTER IV PENALTIES DURING A ROUND

### ARTICLE 216 PENALTIES - GENERAL

During a round, Penalties are incurred for:

1. Knocking down an obstacle (see JRs Art. 217) and a foot in the water or an imprint of the foot or the shoe on the lath defining the limits of the water jump on the landing side;
2. A Disobedience (i.e. Refusal, Run-out or Resistance) (see JRs Art. 219);
3. A deviation from the course (see JRs Art. 220);
4. A fall of a Horse and/or Athlete (see JRs Art. 224);
5. Unauthorised assistance (see JRs Art. 225);
6. Exceeding the time allowed or the time limit (see JRs Art. 227 and 228).

### ARTICLE 217 KNOCK DOWN

1. An obstacle is considered to have been knocked down when, through a mistake of the Horse or Athlete:
  - 1.1. the whole or any upper part of the same vertical plane of it falls, even if the part which falls is arrested in its fall by any other part of the obstacle (see JRs Art. 218.1);
  - 1.2. at least one of its ends no longer rests on any part of its support.
2. Touches and displacements of any part of an obstacle or its flags, in whatever direction, while in the act of jumping, do not count as a knock down. If in doubt the Ground Jury should decide in favour of the Athlete. The knock down or displacement of an obstacle and/or a flag as a result of a Disobedience is penalised as a Refusal only.

In the event of the displacement of any part of an obstacle (except the flags) as a result of a Disobedience, the bell will be rung and the clock stopped while the displacement is re-adjusted. This does not count as a knock down and is only penalised as a Disobedience and corrected by time in accordance with JRs Art. 232.
3. Penalties for knocking down an obstacle are those provided for under Tables A and C (see JRs Art. 236 and 239).
4. If any part of an obstacle, which has been knocked down is likely to impede an Athlete in jumping another obstacle, the bell must be rung and the clock stopped while this part is picked up and the way is cleared.
5. If an Athlete jumps an obstacle correctly which has been improperly rebuilt, he incurs no Penalty; but if he knocks down this obstacle he will be penalised in accordance with the table in use for the Competition.

### ARTICLE 218 VERTICAL AND SPREAD OBSTACLES

1. When a vertical obstacle or part of an obstacle comprises two or several parts placed one above the other and positioned in the same vertical plane, only the fall of the top part is penalised.
2. When a spread obstacle which requires only one effort comprises parts which are not positioned in the same vertical plane, the fall of one or several top parts only counts as one Fault whatever the number and position of the parts which have fallen. Trees, hedges etc. used as filling are not liable for Penalties.

### ARTICLE 219 DISOBEDIENCES

1. The following are considered as Disobediences and are penalised as such (see JRs Art. 236 and 239):
  - 1.1. a Refusal;
  - 1.2. a Run-out;
  - 1.3. a Resistance;
  - 1.4. a more or less regular circle or group of circles no matter where they occur on the course or for whatever reason. It is also a Disobedience to circle around the last obstacle jumped unless the track of the course so requires.
2. Notwithstanding the above, the following is not considered to be a Disobedience:
  - 2.1. circling for up to 45 seconds after a Run-out or a Refusal (no matter if the obstacle has to be rebuilt or not) to get into position to jump an obstacle.

### ARTICLE 220 DEVIATION FROM THE COURSE

1. It is a deviation from the course when the Athlete:
  - 1.1. does not follow the course as set out on the published plan;

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- 1.2. does not cross the starting line or the finishing line between the flags in the correct direction (see JRs Art. 241.3.6 and 241.3.17);
  - 1.3. omits a compulsory turning point (see JRs Art. 241.3.7);
  - 1.4. does not jump the obstacles in the order or in the direction indicated, except in certain special Competitions (see JRs Art. 241.3.10 and 241.3.11);
  - 1.5. jumps or attempts to jump an obstacle which does not form part of the course or omits an obstacle. Obstacles not included in the course should be crossed but failure to do so by the arena party will not preclude the Elimination of an Athlete for jumping an obstacle not forming part of the course.
2. An uncorrected deviation from the course will result in Elimination of the Horse and Athlete combination (see JRs Art. 241.3.6, 241.3.7 and 241.3.17).

### ARTICLE 221 REFUSAL

1. It is a Refusal when a Horse halts in front of an obstacle, which it must jump whether or not the Horse knocks it down or displaces it.
2. Stopping in front of an obstacle without moving backwards and without knocking it down followed immediately by a standing jump is not penalised.
3. If the halt is prolonged, if the Horse steps back, either voluntarily or not, even a single pace, it counts as a Refusal.
4. If a Horse slides through an obstacle, the Judge in charge of the bell must decide immediately if it is to count as a Refusal or as an obstacle knocked down. If he decides that it is a Refusal the bell is rung at once and the Athlete must be ready to attempt the obstacle again as soon as it has been rebuilt (see JRs Art. 232 and 233).
- 4.1. If the Judge decides that it is not a Refusal, the bell is not rung and the Athlete must continue his round. He is then penalised as for an obstacle knocked down.
- 4.2. If the bell has been rung and the Athlete jumps other elements of the combination in his stride, he will not be eliminated or incur further penalties even if he knocks down this element of the combination.

### ARTICLE 222 RUN-OUT

1. It is a Run-out when the Horse escapes the control of its Athlete and avoids an obstacle, which it has to jump or a compulsory turning point, which it has to pass.
2. When a Horse jumps an obstacle between two red flags or between two white flags the obstacle has not been jumped correctly, the Athlete is penalised as for a Run-out and he must jump the obstacle again correctly.
3. It is considered to be a run out and is penalised as such for a Horse or any part of a Horse to go past the extended line of an obstacle to be jumped, or of an element of a combination, or of the finishing line or of a compulsory turning point.

### ARTICLE 223 RESISTANCE

1. It is a Resistance when the Horse refuses to go forward, makes a halt for any reason, makes one or several more or less regular or complete half turns, rears or steps back for whatever reason.
2. It is equally a Resistance when the Athlete stops his Horse at any moment and for any reason, except in the event of an incorrectly rebuilt obstacle or to indicate unforeseen circumstances to the Ground Jury (see JRs Art. 233.3.2). A Resistance is penalised as for a Refusal except in the circumstances set out in JRs Art. 241.3.4.

### ARTICLE 224 FALLS

1. An Athlete is considered to have fallen when, either voluntarily or involuntarily, he is separated from his Horse, which has not fallen, in such a way that he touches the ground or finds it necessary, in order to get back into the saddle, to use some form of support or outside assistance.  
If it is not clear that the Athlete has used some form of support or outside assistance to prevent his fall, the benefit of doubt must be given to the Athlete.
2. A Horse is considered to have fallen when the shoulder and quarters have touched the ground or the obstacle and the ground.

### ARTICLE 225 UNAUTHORISED ASSISTANCE

1. Any physical intervention by a third party between the crossing of the starting line in the correct direction and the crossing of the finishing line after jumping the last obstacle, whether solicited or not, with the object of helping the Athlete or his Horse is considered to be unauthorised assistance.
2. In certain exceptional cases, the Ground Jury may authorise the Athlete to enter the arena on foot or with the help of another person, without this being considered as unauthorised assistance.

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3. Any help given to a mounted Athlete to adjust his saddlery or bridle or to hand him a whip while mounted during the round will incur Elimination. To hand a mounted Athlete his Headgear and/or spectacles during his round is not considered to be unauthorised assistance (see JRs Art. 241.3.20.).

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## CHAPTER V TIME AND SPEED

### ARTICLE 226 TIME OF THE ROUND

1. The time of a round, recorded in seconds and in hundredths of a second, is the time taken by an Athlete to complete the round, plus the time correction (see JRs Art. 232) if any. The time awarded to the Athlete starts running either upon crossing the starting line as per Art. 226.2 or upon expiration of the 45-second countdown (see JRs Art. 203.1.2), whichever occurs first. It extends to the moment when the mounted Athlete crosses the finishing line in the correct direction, after having jumped the last obstacle.
2. The round starts when the mounted Athlete passes the starting line in the correct direction for the first time after the bell has been rung. It extends to the moment when the mounted Athlete crosses the finishing line in the correct direction, after having jumped the last obstacle.
3. A display board, clearly visible for the Athlete, must show the 45-seconds countdown.

### ARTICLE 227 TIME ALLOWED

1. The time allowed for a round in each Competition is determined in relation to the length of the course and the speeds set forth under JRs Art. 234 and Annex II.

### ARTICLE 228 TIME LIMIT

1. The time limit is equal to twice the time allowed for all Competitions in which a time allowed has been set forth.

### ARTICLE 229 RECORDING THE TIME

1. Each Competition at an Event must be timed by the same system or by means of the same type of timing equipment. FEI-homologated timing equipment is compulsory for all Olympic and Regional Games, FEI Championships, FEI World Cup™ Finals, CSIOs and CSIs unless circumstances warrant an exception to be authorised by the FEI Jumping Director. In all instances, the timekeeper is required to record the number of the Horse and the time taken to complete the round by the means of an electronic timing system. The time must be recorded to the one-hundredth of a second.
2. Two digital stopwatches are required in case the electronic timing system breaks down and a third watch to measure the time taken to resume the round after the bell has been rung for Disobediences, interruptions, the time taken between two consecutive obstacles and the time limit for a Resistance. The President or a member of the Ground Jury must have a digital stopwatch.
3. In any Competition where the time is taken by stopwatches, the time is to be registered in seconds and in hundredths of a second. If two timekeepers are used, only the time of one will be taken into account for the official timing, the time of the second timekeeper will be used as a back-up.
4. In case of a breakdown of the electronic timing equipment, the time of any Athlete affected by the breakdown shall be determined by a stopwatch in hundredths of a second (for details see Annex IV).
5. A video recording may never be used to establish the time of an Athlete's round.
6. If the crossing of the starting and/or finishing line by the Athlete cannot be clearly judged from the Ground Jury box, one or two persons, one at the starting line and one at the finishing line, with a flag, must be placed at both of these lines to signal the crossing of the Athlete. The time taken by the Athlete to complete the round is to be registered at the Ground Jury box.

### ARTICLE 230 INTERRUPTED TIME

1. While the clock is stopped, the Athlete remains free to move around until the ringing of the bell gives him permission to start again.  
The clock is restarted when the Athlete reaches the place where the clock was stopped. Exception, in the case of a Disobedience with a knock-down, in which case JRs Art. 232 applies.
2. The responsibility for starting and stopping the clock rests solely with the Judge in charge of the bell. The timing equipment must be such that this procedure can be followed. The timekeeper may not be made responsible for this function.
3. The electronic timing system must not only register the time of the Athlete's round, but must also include time corrections, if any.

### ARTICLE 231 DISOBEDIENCES DURING INTERRUPTED TIME

1. The time of a round is interrupted only under the provisions of JRs Art. 232 and 233. The clock is not stopped in the event of a deviation from the course, a Run-out or a Refusal.

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2. Disobediences are not penalised during interrupted time, except for the second Refusal following a Refusal with a knock-down.
3. The provisions concerning Elimination remain in force during interrupted time.

### **ARTICLE 232 TIME CORRECTIONS**

1. If, as the result of a Disobedience, an Athlete displaces or knocks down any obstacle or a flag defining the limits of the water jump, of a natural obstacle or in all cases where the nature of the obstacle is changed by knocking down the flag, the bell is rung and the clock is stopped until the obstacle has been rebuilt. When the obstacle has been rebuilt the bell is rung to indicate that the course is ready and that the Athlete can continue the round. The Athlete is penalised for a Refusal and a time correction of six seconds is added to the time taken by the Athlete to complete his round. The clock is restarted at the moment when the Horse leaves the ground at the obstacle where the Refusal occurred. If a Disobedience with the knock-down occurs at the second or subsequent part of a combination the clock is restarted when the Horse leaves the ground at the first element of the combination.

### **ARTICLE 233 STOPPING DURING THE ROUND**

1. In the event of an Athlete not being able to continue his round for any reason or unforeseen circumstance, the bell should be rung to stop the Athlete. As soon as it is evident that the Athlete is stopping, the clock will be stopped. As soon as the course is ready again, the bell will be rung, and the clock will be restarted when the Athlete reaches the precise place where the clock was stopped; no penalty is incurred and six seconds are not added to the Athlete's time.
2. If the Athlete does not stop when the bell is rung, he continues at his own risk, and the clock should not be stopped. The Ground Jury must decide whether the Athlete is to be eliminated for ignoring the order to stop, or whether, under the circumstances, he should be allowed to continue. If the Athlete is not eliminated, and is allowed to continue his round, the Scores obtained at the obstacles preceding and following the order to stop will count.
3. If the Athlete stops voluntarily to signal to the Ground Jury that the obstacle to be jumped is wrongly built or if due to unforeseen circumstances beyond the control of the Athlete, he is prevented from continuing his round under normal circumstances, the clock must be stopped immediately.
  - 3.1. If the dimensions are correct and the obstacle in question has been properly built or if the alleged unforeseen circumstances are not accepted as such by the Ground Jury, the Athlete will be penalised as for stopping during the round (see JRs Art. 223.1) and the time of his round will be increased by six seconds.
  - 3.2. If the obstacle or part of the obstacle needs to be rebuilt or if the unforeseen circumstances are accepted as such by the Ground Jury, the Athlete is not penalised. The time of the interruption must be deducted and the clock stopped until the moment when the Athlete takes up his track at the point where he stopped. Any delay incurred by the Athlete must be taken into consideration and an appropriate number of seconds deducted from his recorded time.

### **ARTICLE 234 SPEED**

1. The speeds for international Competitions are as follows:
  - 1.1. 350 m per minute minimum and 400 m per minute maximum. In indoor arenas the speed may be reduced to 325 m per minute.
  - 1.2. Puissance / Power and Skill Competitions: no minimum speed required.
  - 1.3. Grand Prix: 375 m per minute minimum and 400 m. per minute maximum outdoors and 350 m per minute indoors. In outdoor arenas measuring 65 m x 85 m or smaller the speed may be established at 375 m per minute.
  - 1.4. Nations Cup: 400 m per minute for 5\* and 4\* Nations Cup Competitions outdoors; 375 m per minute for 3\* Nations Cup Competitions outdoors, 350 m per minute for 2\* and 1\* Nations Cup Competitions and also for all indoor Nations Cup Competitions.



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## CHAPTER VI TABLES OF PENALTIES

### ARTICLE 235 FAULTS

1. Faults made between the starting line and the finishing line must be taken into consideration. Exception: A knock down of the last obstacle will be considered a fault if the upper element falls from one or both of its supports prior to the time the Athlete leaves the arena or until the bell is rung for the next Athlete to commence his round, whichever occurs first. Definition of Faults according to JRs Art. 217 and 218.
2. Disobediences committed during the time when the round is interrupted (see JRs Art. 231.3) are not penalised.
3. Disobediences, falls, etc., occurring between the signal to start and the moment the Athlete crosses the starting line in the correct direction, are not penalised.

### ARTICLE 236 TABLE A

1. Faults are penalised in Penalty points or by Elimination according to the tables set out in this Chapter.

FAULT	PENALTY
(i) First Disobedience	Four Penalties
(ii) Obstacle knocked down while jumping	Four Penalties
(iii) One or more feet in the water jump or an imprint made by the foot or shoe on the lath defining its limits on the landing side	Four Penalties
(iv) First fall of Horse or Athlete or both in all Competitions	Elimination
(v) Second Disobedience or other infringement set forth under JRs Art. 241	Elimination
(vi) Exceeding the time limit	Elimination
(vii) Exceeding the time allowed in the first and second rounds and jump-offs not against the clock	<b>One</b> Penalty for every four seconds commenced
(viii) Exceeding the time allowed in a jump-off against the clock	One Penalty for each second or commenced fraction of a second

2. Penalties for the Disobediences accumulate not just at the same obstacle, but throughout the entire round.

### ARTICLE 237 SCORES UNDER TABLE A

1. Adding the Penalties for Faults at the obstacles and the time Penalties, gives the Score obtained by the Athlete for his round. Time may be taken into consideration to separate equality for first place and/or following places according to the conditions set forth for the Competition.

### ARTICLE 238 METHODS OF DETERMINING THE SCORES UNDER TABLE A

#### 1. Competitions not against the clock

- 1.1. The Athletes with equality of Penalties share the prizes. Depending on the conditions of the Schedule, there may be one or two jump-offs not against the clock for those with equality of Penalties for first place.
- 1.2. This is a Competition not against the clock with a time allowed but in the event of equality of Penalties for first place there will be one jump-off against the clock. Other Athletes are placed according to their Penalties in the first round.
- 1.3. This is a Competition not against the clock with a time allowed but in the event of equality of Penalties for first place, there will be a first jump-off not against the clock and, in the event of further equality of Penalties for first place, there will be a second jump-off against the clock. Other Athletes are placed according to their Penalties in the first jump-off and if necessary in the first round.

#### 2. Competitions against the clock

- 2.1. Athletes with equality of Penalties for any place are placed in accordance with the time taken to complete the round. In the event of equality of Penalties and time for first place, there may be a jump-off over a shortened course over obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread in accordance with the provisions of the Schedule.



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### CHAPTER VII FINES, YELLOW WARNING CARDS, ELIMINATIONS AND DISQUALIFICATIONS

#### ARTICLE 240 FINES AND YELLOW WARNING CARDS

1. The President of the Ground Jury, the President of the Appeal Committee and the Chief Steward are authorised to issue a Yellow Warning Card in accordance with GRs Art. 169.7.1.
2. In the following cases fines may be imposed by the President of the Ground Jury and the President of the Appeal Committee, in accordance with the GRs, where appropriate:
  - 2.1. to an Athlete who has been eliminated and does not promptly leave the arena;
  - 2.2. to an Athlete who does not promptly leave the arena after his round;
  - 2.3. to an Athlete who has been eliminated or has retired and who makes more than one attempt to jump a single obstacle or jumps it in the wrong direction before leaving the arena;
  - 2.4. an Athlete who has been eliminated for jumping one or several obstacles after passing the finishing line or jumps an obstacle without the permission of the Ground Jury for the press (see JRs Art. 202.6);
  - 2.5. an Athlete who uses obstacles that are different from those provided by the OC in the schooling areas (see JRs Art. 242.2.6 and 201.4);
  - 2.6. an Athlete who jumps or attempts to jump the practice obstacle placed in the arena more times than allowed (see JRs Art. 202.4, 242.2.3 and 262.1.9);
  - 2.7. an Athlete who does not salute the Ground Jury or the official personalities on entering the arena (see JRs Art. 256.2.1);
  - 2.8. failure to display the identification number in case of repeated offence (see JRs Art. 282.2);
  - 2.9. an Athlete who violates the advertising rules (see also GRs Art. 135) or does not comply with the rules regarding dress and saddlery (see JRs Art. 256.1 and 257);
  - 2.10. an Athlete who does not comply with the directives of the OC;
  - 2.11. an Athlete who touches an obstacle to the effect of changing it;
  - 2.12. an Athlete who does not follow orders or shows incorrect behaviour towards Event Officials or any other party connected with the Event (other Athlete, FEI employee or representative, journalist, public, etc.);
  - 2.13. an Athlete who repeats offences after a warning;
3. All fines imposed by the President of the Ground Jury or the Appeal Committee are invoiced to the NF concerned by the FEI and are paid to the FEI.

#### ARTICLE 241 ELIMINATIONS

1. Unless otherwise specified in the Rules or in the conditions for the Competitions, Elimination means that the Athlete with the Horse in question may not continue in the Competition at issue.
2. The Athlete has the right to jump one single obstacle, after retiring or after being eliminated, providing that obstacle is part of the course of the current Competition. This, however, does not apply to Elimination arising from a fall.
3. The following paragraphs lay down the reasons for which Athletes are eliminated in Jumping Competitions. The Ground Jury must enforce Elimination under the following circumstances:
  - 3.1. jumping or attempting to jump an obstacle in the arena before the start of the round except for the practice obstacle(s) authorised by the Ground Jury (see JRs Art. 202.3);
  - 3.2. starting before the signal is given and jumping the first obstacle of the course (see JRs Art. 202.5 and 203.1.2);
  - 3.3. taking more than 45 seconds to jump the first obstacle after the time of the round has started, except all cases relating to circumstances beyond the influence of the Athlete (see Article JRs Art. 203.1.2);
  - 3.4. a Horse resisting for 45 consecutive seconds during the round (see JRs Art. 223.2);
  - 3.5. taking more than 45 seconds to jump the next obstacle, or to jump the last obstacle and cross the finishing line;
  - 3.6. jumping the first obstacle while omitting to cross the starting line between the flags in the correct direction (see JRs Art. 220.1.2);
  - 3.7. omitting a compulsory turning point or not following the track indicated by a continuous line on the course plan;
  - 3.8. attempting to or jumping an obstacle which does not form part of the course during the round (see JRs Art. 220.1.5);
  - 3.9. omitting to jump an obstacle of the course (see JRs Art. 220.1.5) or after a Run-out or a Refusal, failing to attempt to jump again the obstacle where the Fault was committed;
  - 3.10. jumping an obstacle out of order (see JRs Art. 220.1.4);
  - 3.11. jumping an obstacle in the wrong direction (see JRs Art. 220.1.4);

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- 3.12. exceeding the time limit (see JRs Art. 236 and 239);
- 3.13. following a Refusal, jumping or attempting to jump an obstacle which has been knocked down, before it has been rebuilt;
- 3.14. jumping or attempting to jump an obstacle after an interruption without waiting for the bell (see JRs Art. 203.3);
- 3.15. not jumping all the elements of a combination again after a Refusal or Run-out (see JRs Art. 212.3), except in the case of the closed part of a combination (see JRs Art. 214);
- 3.16. not taking each element of a combination separately and consecutively (see JRs Art. 212.2);
- 3.17. not crossing the finishing line between the flags mounted in the correct direction, after having jumped the last obstacle (except in certain special Competitions) before leaving the arena (see JRs Art. 226.2);
- 3.18. Athlete and/or Horse leaving the arena without permission of the Ground Jury, including prior to starting;
- 3.19. a loose Horse leaving the arena before the end of the round, including prior to starting;
- 3.20. accepting while mounted any object whatsoever during a round other than Headgear and/or spectacles.
- 3.21. using a whip of more than 75 centimetres in length, or weighted at the end, on the showground or in its immediate proximity. No substitute for a whip may be carried. (For exception to this article refer to JRs Art. 257.2.2);
- 3.22. an accident to an Athlete or to a Horse which prevents him from completing the Competition (see JRs Art. 258);
- 3.23. not leaving a closed combination in the right direction or displacing a closed combination;
- 3.24. second Disobedience during the course of a round (see JRs Art. 236 and 239);
- 3.25. fall of Athlete or Horse during the round (see JRs Art. 224, 236 and 239);
- 3.26. if the Ground Jury feels that for any reason Horse or Athlete is unfit to continue in Competition.
- 3.27. jumping or attempting to jump an obstacle in the arena after the completion of a round (refer to JRs Art. 202.6 regarding authorisation to jump an obstacle for the press).
4. Elimination is left to the discretion of the Ground Jury in the following cases:
  - 4.1. not entering the arena when the Athlete's name and/or number is called;
  - 4.2. not entering the arena mounted or not leaving the arena mounted;
  - 4.3. all physical unauthorised assistance, except for paragraph 3.20 above;
  - 4.4. schooling a Horse in speed Competitions under table A or C, without informing the OC in advance;
  - 4.5. not stopping when the bell is rung during the round (see JRs Art. 203.2 and 233.2).

## ARTICLE 242 DISQUALIFICATIONS

1. Disqualification means that the Athlete, the Horse(s), and/or a combination of both is/are disqualified from the Competition at issue or from the entire Event. Disqualification may also be retroactive.
2. The Ground Jury may impose Disqualification in the following cases:
  - 2.1. entering the arena on foot once the Competition has started;
  - 2.2. exercising Horses in the arena or jumping or attempting to jump an obstacle without the permission of the Ground Jury (see JRs Art. 202.2, 202.5 and 202.6);
  - 2.3. jumping or attempting to jump the practice obstacle in the arena more times than authorised (see JRs Art. 202.4, 240.2.6 and 262.1.9);
  - 2.4. jumping or attempting to jump any obstacle in the arena or an obstacle forming part of a subsequent Competition (see JRs Art. 202.5);
  - 2.5. retiring, before a jump-off, without permission of the Ground Jury or without valid reason;
  - 2.6. exercising Horses during the course of an Event over obstacles different from those provided by the OC (see JRs Art. 240.2.5 and 201.4);
  - 2.7. jumping the obstacles in the schooling areas in the wrong direction or jumping the practice obstacle, if any, in the arena in the wrong direction (see JRs Art. 201.4 and 202.4);
  - 2.8. all cases of abuse and/or ill treatment of Horses reported by a member of the Ground Jury or of the Appeal Committee or by a Steward, or by any other person to an Official (see GRs Art. 142.2) including, but not limited to, cases arising under VRs Art. 1034 (Standard Method of Examination for Limb Sensitivity);
3. Mandatory Disqualification
  - 3.1. Horses bleeding on the flank(s), in the mouth or nose or marks indicating excessive use of spurs or of the whip anywhere on the Horse (in minor cases of blood in the mouth, such as where a Horse appears to have bitten its tongue or lip, Officials may authorize the rinsing or wiping of the mouth and allow the Athlete to continue; any further evidence of blood in the mouth will result in Disqualification.);

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- 3.2 It is forbidden to jump unauthorised obstacles in any place on the showground or to leave the showground with the horse for any purpose during the period of the Event. This will result in Disqualification.

### **ARTICLE 243 ABUSE OF HORSES (SEE ALSO GRs ART. 142)**

1. All forms of cruel, inhumane or abusive treatment of Horses, which include, but are not limited to various forms of rapping, are strictly forbidden (see JRs Art. 242.2.8).

Any act or series of actions that in the opinion of the Ground Jury can be deemed abuse of a Horse shall be penalised according to the GRs with one or more of the following penalties:

- (i) Yellow Warning Card (see GRs Art. 169.7);
- (ii) Fine;
- (iii) Elimination;
- (iv) Disqualification.

2. The following are considered to be abuse of a Horse (see also GRs Art. 142):

#### 2.1 Rapping Horses

The term "rapping" is construed to include all of the artificial techniques intended to induce the Horse to jump higher or more carefully in Competitions. It is not practical to list every possible means of rapping, but in general it consists of the Athlete and/or dismounted assistants, for whose behaviour the Athlete is responsible, either hitting the Horse's legs manually with something (no matter with what or by whom) or deliberately causing the Horse to hit something itself, whether by building obstacles too large and/or too wide, setting false ground lines, placing trotting poles or the elements of a combination at a false distance, intentionally pulling or pushing the Horse into an obstacle or otherwise making it difficult or impossible for the Horse to negotiate the practice obstacle without hitting it.

In the case of rapping or any other abusive schooling practice within the period of jurisdiction of the Ground Jury, the Athlete and the Horse concerned will be disqualified from all Competitions for at least 24 hours. In addition, the Ground Jury may take any further action it deems appropriate under the circumstances, including, but not limited to, disqualifying the Athlete and/or Horse from the entire Event.

#### 2.2 Excessive use of the whip

- The whip may not be used to vent an Athlete's temper. Such use is always excessive;
- The whip is not to be used after Elimination;
- The whip is never to be used overhand, (for example a whip in the right hand being used on the left flank). The use of a whip on a Horse's head is always excessive use;
- A Horse should never be hit more than three times in a row. If a Horse's skin is broken, it is always considered excessive use of the whip;

An Athlete identified as misusing or excessively using the whip will be disqualified and may be fined at the discretion of the Ground Jury.

#### 2.3 Other Forms of Abuse

Abuse of a Horse in any other form (such as, but not limited to, hypersensitising or desensitising the limbs, the use of banned schooling methods, excessive use of spurs and other cases as specified in the VRs or any other FEI rules and regulations) is also prohibited and must be penalised appropriately under these rules.

### **ARTICLE 244 BOOT AND BANDAGE CONTROL**

1. Stewarding – Boot and Bandage Control (see also JRs Art. 257.2.3 and VRs Art. 1025.18, 1025.19 and 1035)

It is obligatory to carry out boot and bandage control on all Horses taking part in the Grand Prix, Nations Cup Competition, and during the Competition with the highest prize money at each Event. It is also recommended that boot and bandage control be carried out during other Competitions. Refer to the VRs and to the Jumping Stewards Manual for the procedure for boot and bandage control.

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## CHAPTER VIII JUMP-OFFS

### ARTICLE 245 JUMP-OFFS - GENERAL

1. Only Athletes who are in equal first place after one or several preliminary rounds of the same Competition may take part in a jump-off. Athletes must start the same Horse in the jump-off as in the initial round.
2. In principle a jump-off must take place under the same rules and Table as the original Competition and the rules for jump-offs in that type of Competition. However, the jump-off from a minor Table A Competition may be judged under Table C, providing it is specified in the Schedule. In any case, all jump-offs must be held immediately after the original round(s) of the Competition.
3. If specified in the Schedule the OC may decide that Athletes, who have completed their preliminary round without Penalties, must proceed to the jump-off immediately following their preliminary round. In this case, the bell must be rung again to signal the Athlete to start the jump-off course, during which the 45-second rule set forth in JRs Art. 203.1.2 applies. Athletes qualified for the jump-off are not allowed to leave the arena between their preliminary round and the jump-off. This type of jump-off is only allowed for Competitions under table A, according to JRs Art. 238.1.2 and 238.2.2 and is not authorised for a Grand Prix Competition or for the Competition with the highest prize money. If there are no clear rounds in the preliminary round, the classification is established according to JRs Art. 238.1.1 or 238.2.1 as applicable.
4. Unless otherwise set forth in these JRs (Power and Skill Competitions) no Competition may involve more than two jump-offs.
5. The order of starting in the jump-off(s) must remain the same as the order of starting fixed for the round preceding the jump-off, except where otherwise specified in the Schedule or the JRs.
- 5.1 The order of starting in the jump-off of an individual Competition counting for the Longines Rankings may be established in reverse order of the Athletes' times in the previous round as an alternative to the same starting order used in the previous round. The method of establishing the starting order in the jump-off must be stated in the Event Schedule; if not specified, the starting order will be the same as in the previous round.
- 5.2 Horses which lose a shoe prior to starting in the initial round of a one round Competition with a jump-off will be given a later starting position. In a jump-off a Horse that loses a shoe prior to starting will be given a new starting place three positions later. If the Horse in question has not had its shoe replaced by that time, the Ground Jury will decide whether, at its discretion, the Horse in question should receive a later starting place or be eliminated.
6. In the event of equality of Score for the first place, a jump-off may take place according to the provisions of the Schedule. If no provision for a jump-off is set forth in the Schedule, it will be considered that the Competition is run with no jump-off.

### ARTICLE 246 OBSTACLES IN THE JUMP-OFF

1. The obstacles in the jump-off(s) may be altered in height and/or spread (partially or totally), without exceeding the limits set forth in JRs Art. 208.5. However, the dimensions of the obstacles in the jump-off may only be increased if the Athletes sharing first place have completed the previous round without jumping Penalties.
2. If the original course includes combination(s), the jump-off(s) must also include at least one combination.
3. The number of obstacles in a jump-off may be reduced to a minimum of six (combinations count as one obstacle).
4. The shape, the type and the colour of the obstacles for a jump-off may not be altered, but it is permitted to leave out one or more of the elements of a combination obstacle. If the combination obstacle is a treble or a quadruple, the centre element(s) only may not be omitted.
5. The order of the obstacles for a jump-off may be altered, compared to the original course.
6. In a jump-off, the distance between the elements of a combination obstacle may never be altered.
7. A maximum of two additional single obstacles may be added to the course of a jump-off. Both obstacles must be on the course during the course inspection or will be built from obstacles of the previous round or rounds. These obstacles may consist of two spread or two vertical obstacles or one spread and one vertical. It must be clearly indicated both on the course plan and at the obstacle(s) in question, whether the obstacle(s) may be jumped from either side or just from one side. If an obstacle included in the previous round(s) is jumped from the opposite direction in the jump-off, the obstacle is considered as one of the two additional obstacles allowed. A vertical in the first or second round may be converted to a spread obstacle or vice-versa in the jump-off, in which case it will be considered one of the two additional obstacles.

### ARTICLE 247 ELIMINATION OR WITHDRAWAL FROM A JUMP-OFF

1. An Athlete who is eliminated in a jump-off will be placed last of the Athletes who have completed the jump-off.
2. An Athlete, who with the permission of the Ground Jury withdraws from a jump-off, must always be placed after an Athlete eliminated or who retires for a valid reason on the course. Athletes, who retire for no valid reason or who have themselves eliminated on purpose are placed equal with Athletes, who have withdrawn from the same jump-off.
3. If before a deciding jump-off, two or more Athletes decline to take part in the jump-off, the Ground Jury will decide whether this Refusal can be accepted or must be rejected. If the Ground Jury accepts the Refusal, the OC will award the trophy by lot and the prize money will be added together and shared equally between the Athletes. If the Ground Jury's

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instruction to continue is not followed by Athletes, no trophy will be awarded and the Athletes will each only receive the prize money and the lowest placing for which they would have jumped-off.

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## CHAPTER IX PLACING

### ARTICLE 248 INDIVIDUAL PLACING AND PRIZE GIVING

1. The placing of an individual Athlete is decided according to the table in use and the instructions of the general programme for the Competition or amendments noted on the course plan.
2. Any Athlete who has no chance of being placed may, at the discretion of the Ground Jury, be stopped at any time during his round.
3. Athletes who are unable to complete the first round of a Competition have no right to any prize, except in certain special Competitions.
4. Prize winners of qualifying Competitions retain the prizes they have won even if they decline to take part in the final Competition for which they have qualified.
5. Prize winners must take part in the prize giving ceremony and should do so with the placed Horses. The Ground Jury, however, for safety reasons, may make exceptions. If a prize winner fails, without plausible excuse to take part at the prize giving ceremony, the Ground Jury, at its discretion, may decide to allow the OC to withhold the Athlete's prize. Therefore, the OC must publish in the Schedule and programme the number of prize winners required to take part in the ceremony. If the Schedule or programme does not indicate the number that must be present, then all Athletes and Horses placed must attend the prize-giving ceremony.
6. With the exception of Horse rugs presented by sponsors of Competitions, rugs may not be worn at prize-giving ceremonies. The Ground Jury, under special circumstance, may, however, decide to relax this rule.



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## CHAPTER X ATHLETES AND HORSES

### ARTICLE 249 INVITATIONS TO CSIOS

1. The official invitation sent to the NF must be extended to an official team comprising a Chef d'Equipe, a Team Veterinarian, a minimum of four and a maximum of six Athletes, a minimum of eight and a maximum of 15 Horses and one groom per Athlete.  

If OCs invite teams consisting of four Athletes and eight Horses the total number of invited foreign Athletes cannot be less than the number invited the previous year.

Three official teams at least (including that of the host NF) must participate for the Event to be considered as a CSIO.

If less than five NFs have entered teams for a CSIO, the invitation may be extended to include two teams per NF (including the host team). Before the start of the Event, at the latest at the technical meeting, each NF with two teams must decide which team competes for FEI Nations Cup™ points.
2. CSIO Events in Europe  

If eight or more teams are invited (host team included), the OC may invite foreign individual Athletes in accordance with JRs Art. 249.5.

If seven or less teams are invited (host team included), no foreign individual Athletes may be invited.
3. CSIO Events in North America  

If five or more teams are invited (host team included), foreign individual Athletes may be invited in accordance with JRs Art. 249.5.

If four teams are invited (host team included), only a maximum of two foreign individual Athletes may be invited.

If there are less than four teams invited (host team included), no foreign individual Athletes may be invited.
4. In the draft Schedule, each OC will be required to mention the names of NFs to be invited, plus the names of at least three reserve NFs, in case any of those invited cannot accept the invitation. Upon receipt of a refusal, the OC must contact immediately one of the NFs on the reserve list. It is recommended that each OC uses double entry dates for nominated entries, in case invited NFs drop out. The OCs of events that are part of the FEI Nations Cup™ series must invite teams in accordance with the specific rules for that series.
5. One or two individual Athletes in addition to those belonging to the teams or to NFs which cannot send a complete team may be invited under the same conditions as the official teams. No personal invitations are allowed for individuals at CSIO Events.
6. The maximum number of individual Athletes of the host NF allowed to compete in CSIOs of all categories (with the exclusion of FEI Nations Cup™ Division 1 Events) is 30; the maximum number of Athletes in the official Teams is six.
7. CSIO Events with a 5\*/4\* Nations Cup, must at least invite seven foreign teams. Only in very exceptional circumstances and with the express permission of the FEI Secretary General, may fewer foreign teams be invited.
8. The FEI has the right to nominate one of the foreign teams to be invited by the OC as a wild card.

### ARTICLE 250 INVITATIONS TO CSIS

1. For CSIs, it is the responsibility of the OC with the approval of its NF to lay down in the Schedule and the invitation, the number of individual Athletes and Horses to be invited. Refer to Annex V for the CSI Invitation Rules.

### ARTICLE 251 ENTRIES (see also GRs Art. 116)

1. All Athletes and Horses must be registered with the FEI, their own NF, and where appropriate with their host NF (CSI1\* and CSI2\* Events), before they can be permitted to take part in International Events, with the exception of the FEI World Challenge Competitions (see also GRs Art. 113).
2. The number of Horses that may be entered for an Event must be in accordance with the Schedule and the JRs.
3. All Athletes invited or nominated for an International Event may only be entered by their NF. It is the NF's responsibility to ensure that Athletes are of the required age for the Event in which they are entered. All foreign Athletes selected by their NF, in accordance with the JRs and as specified in the Schedule, must be accepted by the OC. OCs may not accept any other entries other than those received from NFs.
4. NFs are responsible for selecting and entering qualified Horses. This includes the fitness and capability of the Horses to participate in the Competitions for which they are entered. It is the NF's responsibility to ensure that Horses are of the required age for the Event in which they are entered.
5. The number of teams and individual Athletes allowed to be entered to take part is set forth in the JRs.
6. NFs may only enter Athletes for World Championships and Olympic Games who are qualified under conditions decided by the Jumping Committee and approved by the Bureau and, where appropriate, the IOC.

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7. If NFs enter more Athletes and Horses than the number allowed in the official team, the Chef d'Equipe must designate the Athletes and Horses selected for the official team at the latest following the first Horse inspection.
8. Under no circumstances may the OC limit the number of entries of eligible Athletes or teams for a Championship. The Bureau may limit the number of entries if deemed necessary.
9. Entries for Championships and Games must be made following the compulsory three phases outlined under GRs Arts. 116.4.1, 116.4.2 and JRs Art. 251.9.3. For other Events up to and including CSIOs GRs Art. 116.4.2 (Nominated Entries) is optional but other deadlines may be requested by the NF/OC in the Schedule.
  - 9.1. Entries in principle - See GRs Art. 116.4.1.
  - 9.2. Nominated entries - See GRs Art. 116.4.2.
  - 9.3. Definite entries

Must be received by the OC by the date mentioned in the Schedule. This date may not be earlier than four weeks prior to the beginning of the Event and later than four days preceding the beginning of the Event. These represent the final selection of Athletes and Horses that will travel to the Event. The definite entries may not exceed the number listed and must be chosen from the list of names on the nominated entries. Following receipt of the definite entries, substitutions of Horses and/or Athletes may only be made with the express permission of the OC. The OC must print in the Schedule the latest date for substitution of Horse (s) and Athlete(s), which may not be later than the day of the Horse inspection.
10. Entry forms must include the information as stipulated in GRs Art. 116.5. The Athlete's year of birth must also be included.
11. Should an NF send more Athletes and/or Horses than shown in the nominated entry the OC is not obliged to accommodate them or to allow them to participate in that Event even if the JRs and Schedule would allow such participation (GRs Art. 116.6).
12. At an Event, an Athlete may withdraw any or all his Horses from a Competition, but he may not add a Horse not previously entered for that Competition without the approval of the OC and the Ground Jury (GRs Art. 116.7).
13. Where an NF has made a nominated entry of a team and finds that it will be unable to send a team, it must immediately inform the OC (GRs 116.8).
14. Teams or individual Athletes who have been definitely entered by their NFs at any Event and fail to take part without valid excuse must be reported by the Foreign Judge/Technical Delegate to the FEI Secretary General for consideration by the FEI Tribunal. In the absence of a satisfactory explanation, NFs having made entries in principle and having not been represented by Athletes may be fined. Competing at another Event staged at the same time does not constitute a valid excuse for failure to participate at an Event. However, and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the GRs, if a definitely entered CSI-Athlete is selected to replace a CSIO-Athlete (unable to compete for a valid reason) on the same weekend, this late nomination will be considered a valid excuse for failure to participate in the originally foreseen CSI.
15. An NF may not make definite entries for the same Athlete to more than one OC on the same weekend on Penalty of disqualification of the Athlete from the Events in which he participates unless and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the GRs both OCs concerned have given their agreement (Exception see JRs Art 251.14). The Horse(s) of Athletes entered in more than one Event on the same weekend must be present at the first Horse Inspection of the respective Events (see also JRs Art. 280.2.1.1).
16. Withdrawals after the date of definite entries or no-shows will be liable to reimburse the OC for the financial loss incurred by the OC (i.e. stabling and hotel Expenses) as a result of late withdrawal or no-show.
17. National Jumping Events: see GRs Art. 101.3.

## ARTICLE 252 STARTING ORDER

1. The draw for the starting order.
  - 1.1. Championships/CSIO – Team and Individuals
    - 1.1.1 A draw will first take place to determine the order of starting of the individual Athletes entered in addition to teams, regardless of their nationality.
    - 1.1.2. A second draw will then take place to decide the order in which the NFs, which have entered teams, will start. Each Chef d'Equipe will then fix the order in which he wishes his team Athletes to start in the order of the NFs. These Athletes will be inserted in sequence in the remaining spaces between the individual Athletes.
    - 1.1.3. If an individual Athlete has more than one Horse taking part in a Competition, the Ground Jury will adjust the starting order in such a manner that if possible an interval of at least ten Athletes is provided between these individual Horses.
    - 1.1.4. If a Chef d'Equipe decides to change the Athletes and Horses after the starting order has been published, it is possible that one Athlete must ride two Horses too close together. In this case the Chef d'Equipe must inform the Ground Jury or the OC at least one hour before the start of the Competition. The Ground Jury may then alter the starting order as far as this Athlete only is concerned.
  2. In CSIOs and CSIs, there must be a draw for the order of starting of the Athletes. When doing so the nationality of the Athletes must be considered so as not to allow two Athletes of the same foreign NF to start consecutively. If it happens that one or more Athletes have to ride two Horses too close together, the Ground Jury on its own authority or on request of the Athlete or of the Chef d'Equipe may alter the order of starting as far as these Athletes only are concerned.
  3. The starting order may not be drawn in alphabetical order of the names of the Athletes or of the Horses.

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4. For team Competitions, a separate draw must take place each time.
5. Rotating the starting order in individual Competitions

Rotation is mandatory but the system of rotation to be applied is at the discretion of the OC. In order to achieve the rotation of the starting order in the individual Competitions included in the programme, it is recommended that the procedure as set forth below be followed.
- 5.1. At Events where the Athletes are allowed to ride two or three Horses in individual Competitions, the following procedure is acceptable to achieve rotation of the starting order in the individual Competitions included in the programme:
  - 5.1.1. if the Schedule provides that the same Horse is allowed to take part in more than one individual Competition per day and throughout the Event, the number of Horses must be divided by the number of individual Competitions;
  - 5.1.2. if the Schedule provides that the same Horse is allowed to take part in only one Competition per day and throughout the Event, the number of Horses must be divided by the number of days on which individual Competitions take place.
- 5.2. At Events where the Schedule provides that Athletes are allowed to ride only one Horse in each individual Competition, the Athletes are drawn and their Horses carry successive numbers:

First Athlete: 1, 2, 3 (number of his Horses)

Second Athlete: 4, 5

The rotation follows the same procedure as in paragraph 5.1.1 and 5.1.2 above, but in this case the number of Athletes must be divided by the number of individual Competitions or by the number of days on which individual Competitions take place.
6. Order of starting in Grand Prix Competitions

The title "Grand Prix" may only be used once for each category, e.g. CSIY, CSIJ, CSI3\* etc, during an international Jumping Event. The starting order for all Grand Prix Competitions must be established according to one of the following methods:
- 6.1 the order of start is determined by a separate draw.
- 6.2 if there is a special ranking for the best Athlete or the best combination Athlete/ Horse at the Event, the ranking in reverse order before the Grand Prix may be used as the order of starting;
- 6.3 The OC may divide Athletes into three groups. There must be a draw to establish the starting order in each group. The top Athletes on the Jumping Rankings are permitted to start in the last group.

The President of the Ground Jury must be present during the draw.

The method to be used must be mentioned in the Schedule.

### ARTICLE 253 DECLARATION OF STARTERS

1. At CSIOs, on the day before the first Competition, the Chefs d'Equipe will designate in writing to the OC the members of their team (Athletes and Horses) and the names of individuals Athletes together with the names of their Horses (see JRs Art. 249). In the event of accident or illness preventing an Athlete and/or his Horse being declared as a starter in the team, Chefs d'Equipe may substitute for him/them from among the individuals Athletes (if there are any), one hour at the latest before the start of the first Competition of the Event. An Athlete or a team Horse, which has been substituted, may not start as an individual. At all Events, Chefs d'Equipe (CSIOs) or individual Athletes (CSIOs, CSIs) will declare to the OC at a time fixed by the OC the starters for the next day's Competitions.

### ARTICLE 254 PARTICIPATION AND NUMBER OF HORSES

1. Age of Horses
  - 1.1. Horses entered for Olympic Games and World Championships must be at least nine years of age. Horses entered in Continental Championships, FEI World Cup™ Finals, Regional Games and Regional Championships must be at least eight years of age. As an exception, Horses may be entered in Regional Games and Regional Championships from the age of seven years, providing the height of obstacles in these Regional Games and Championships does not exceed 1.40 m. Horses entered for CSIO3\*-5\*Events, CSI3\*-5\* Events and all FEI World Cup™ Events except the FEI World Cup™ Final must be at least seven years of age. However, CSIs for Young Horses from the age of six years may be held at these Events. Horses entered for CSIO1\* and CSI1\*- 2\* Events must be at least six years of age. Horses entered for CSIO2\* Events at which the Nations Cup Competition is built to the dimensions set forth in JRs Art. 264.3 for 2\* Events must be at least six years old; Horses entered in CSIO2\* Events at which the Nations Cup Competition is built to the dimensions set forth in JRs Art. 264.3 for 3\* Events or higher must be at least seven years old.
  - 1.2. Age of Horses – Northern and Southern Hemispheres
    - 1.2.1. National Events

Horses from the Southern Hemisphere competing in the Northern Hemisphere should be permitted to take part in National Competitions for Horses one year younger, as their official birth date is 1 August. Horses from the Northern Hemisphere competing in the Southern Hemisphere should be permitted to take part in Competitions for Horses one year older, as their official birth date is 1 January.

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- 1.2.2. International Competitions for Young Horses (five\*/six /seven/eight year olds) \*Competitions for five year old Horses may only be held at the FEI World Breeding Jumping Championships for Young Horses, unless special authorisation has been granted by the FEI.

Horses from the Southern Hemisphere competing in international Young Horses Competitions in the Northern Hemisphere will be permitted to take part in Young Horses Competitions for Horses one year younger as their official birth date is 1 August (e.g. an eight year old Horse from the Southern Hemisphere will compete in the seven year old category in the Northern Hemisphere). Horses from the Northern Hemisphere competing in international Young Horses Competitions in the Southern Hemisphere will be permitted to take part in Young Horses Competitions for Horses one year older as their official birth date is 1 January (e.g. a five year old Horse from the Northern Hemisphere will compete in the six year old category in the Southern Hemisphere).

2. The Schedule must specify the number of Horses allowed for each Athlete at CSIOs and CSIs but this number must be limited to a maximum of three. CSI or CSIO Events may include Competitions for Young Horses open only to the Athletes entered in the CSI or CSIO; for these Competition Athletes may enter two Horses in addition to the three Horses allowed for the CSI or CSIO. Participation of these additional Horses is limited to the Young Horses Competitions only. At Events where several CSIs of different categories are organised on the same weekend the number of Horses per Athlete must be limited to three per Category. Separate CSIs for Young Horses (CSIYH) may be organised at these Events; Athletes entered in the CSIYH are allowed to enter three Horses specifically for the Young Horses Competitions. The above does not apply to CSI Events held at the same venue over several consecutive weekends; for these Events each Athlete may start a maximum of four Horses in each category (Small/Medium/Big Tour) during each CSI. A maximum of six Horses per Athlete may be entered for the CSIYH Competitions, of which maximum three may start in each age category per CSI. If the Schedule includes a Six-Bar and/or Puissance Competition, a Derby and/or a special Competition for stallions, the Schedule may allow an additional Horse for each of these Competitions. Participation of these additional Horses is limited to these Competitions only.
3. At CSIOs the Chefs d'Equipe have the right to make changes to the Horses belonging only to the official team throughout the duration of the Event, on condition that each Athlete rides the maximum number of Horses as specified in JRs Art. 254.2. A change made in this manner is irreversible.
4. Changing Horses by individuals at CSIOs and CSIs is allowed only if they belong to the same NF, and conform to the number of Horses each individual Athlete is allowed to ride during the Event in accordance with the provisions of the Schedule. A change made in this manner is irreversible.
5. At CSIOs each Athlete may ride only one Horse in the Grand Prix or, if there is no Grand Prix, in the Competition with the highest prize money. If there is a Grand Prix Competition and another Competition with the same prize money as the Grand Prix or with higher prize money, the Athlete may ride only one Horse in each of these Competitions, except when this Competition is a Derby, in which case more than one Horse per Athlete may be ridden.
6. The above paragraph also applies at CSIs. However, if in the Grand Prix or in similar Competitions listed in paragraph 5 above, there are 30 Athletes or less entered, the OC may allow each Athlete to ride two Horses in the Competition concerned, provided that the total number of starters does not exceed the maximum allowed for the Grand Prix or Competition in question.

## **ARTICLE 255 CHILDREN, JUNIORS AND YOUNG RIDERS (REFER ALSO TO ANNEXES IX AND XII)**

1. Subject to the exclusions mentioned in paragraphs 2 and 3 below, Athletes may, with the express permission of their NF, take part in certain Competitions for Seniors from the year in which they reach their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday.
2. A Junior or Pony Rider or Child may never ride in Competitions for their category and in a Senior Competition, a Competition for Amateurs or a Competition for Young Horses at the same Event.
3. Before the year in which they reach their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday Athletes may not take part in:
  - a Grand Prix at a CSI3\* to CSI5\*;
  - a Grand Prix at a CSIO1\* to CSIO5\*;
  - a Nations Cup Competition at CSIO1\* to CSIO5\*;
  - an FEI World Cup™ Competition;
  - a Power and Skill Competition;
  - a Derby;
  - the Competition with the highest prize money at a CSI3\* to CSI5\* and CSIO1\* to CSIO5\* if this is not one of the Competitions listed.
- 3.1 From the year in which they reach their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday until the end of the year in which they reach their 13<sup>th</sup> birthday Athletes may take part in certain Competitions at CSI and CSIO 1\* to 5\* Events providing the height of obstacles in the initial round does not exceed 1.30 m. (NB: A separate classification must be established for Children Athletes as prize money for Children's Competitions is not allowed.)
- 3.2 From the year in which they reach their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday until the end of the year in which they reach their 15<sup>th</sup> birthday Athletes may participate in all Competitions at CSI1\* Events (excluding those listed above in Art. 255.3), and in certain Competitions at CSI2\* to CSI5\* and CSIO 1\* to 5\* Events providing the height of obstacles in the initial round does not exceed 1.40 m.
- 3.3 From the year in which they reach their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, Athletes may participate in all Competitions at CSI1\* and CSI2\* Events (excluding those listed above in Art. 255.3). From the year in which they reach their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday until the

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end of the year in which they reach their 17<sup>th</sup> birthday Athletes may take part in certain Competitions at CSI3\* to CSI5\* and CSIO1\* to CSIO5\* Events.

### ARTICLE 256 DRESS, HEADGEAR AND SALUTE

#### 1. Dress

- 1.1. Athletes are required to wear correct dress when appearing before spectators and are required to dress in accordance with JRs Art. 256.1.5 and Art. 256.3.1.2.1(e). when they are competing or during the presentation of prizes.
- 1.2. When inspecting the course, dress must be neat and tidy. In any case, riding boots, white or light fawn breeches, a long- or short-sleeved shirt and a white tie or choker must be worn. Shirts must have a white collar; long-sleeved shirts must have white cuffs.
- 1.3. In bad weather, the Ground Jury may allow the wearing of a greatcoat or waterproof. In very warm weather, the Ground Jury may allow Athletes to ride without a jacket.
- 1.4. It is compulsory for all persons to wear a properly fastened protective Headgear with a three point retention harness at all times when mounted. If an Athlete chooses to remove his Headgear at any time, whether permitted or not by these rules, such removal shall always be entirely at his own risk. An Athlete who loses his Headgear or whose retention harness becomes unfastened during the course of his round must recover and replace it, or in the case of the retention harness becoming unfastened must refasten it. In such case, the Athlete will not be penalised for halting to retrieve his Headgear and/or refasten the retention harness, but the clock will not be stopped. An Athlete who jumps or attempts to jump an obstacle with a retention harness incorrectly fastened will be eliminated unless the circumstances rendered it unsafe for the Athlete to stop immediately in order to refasten the harness (e.g. if the harness becomes unfastened in the middle of a combination or one or two strides before the obstacle in question. As an exception to this rule Senior Athletes may remove their Headgear while accepting prizes, during the playing of the National anthem and any other ceremonial protocol.
- 1.5. Civilians are required to wear the uniform or dress approved by their NF, a red coat or a black coat, white or light fawn breeches, black or brown boots. Other dark coloured boots may be approved at the discretion of the FEI. Shirts may have long or short sleeves and must have a white collar; long-sleeved shirts must have white cuffs. A white tie or choker must be worn. If a jacket is not worn shirts must have sleeves, either short or long sleeves are permitted.
- 1.6. Members of the armed services, police and gendarmerie, members and employees of military establishments and of national studs may wear civil or service dress.
- 1.7. At the discretion of the Ground Jury, Athletes who are improperly dressed may be refused permission to take part in the Competition.
- 1.8. Only the NF-official jacket may be worn by Athletes in Nations Cup Competitions, at Regional, Continental and World Championships and during the Competitions at Olympic and Regional Games. Black, red, navy and green jackets with collars of the same colour cannot be registered.

Team member jackets must be the same colour. Athletes not complying with this rule will be fined with CHF 1'000 (one thousand Swiss Francs) by the Ground Jury. In addition, the Athlete will be requested to leave the arena and will not be permitted to return until the jacket complies with the rules for participation.

- 1.9. Disputes about colours are to be referred to the FEI Secretary General whose decision is final.

#### 2. Salute

- 2.1. In all Competitions that take place in an arena under the jurisdiction of a Ground Jury, each Athlete must salute the President of the Ground Jury as a matter of courtesy, unless the President of the Ground Jury gives other instructions. The Ground Jury may refuse to start an Athlete who has not saluted. The Ground Jury may also fine the Athlete (see JRs Art. 240.2.7). For special reasons the Ground Jury, in consultation with the OC, may decide whether or not Athletes are required to salute prior to the commencement of each Competition. The OC in agreement with the President of the Ground Jury must instruct the Athletes to salute Heads of State when present, and may do so if there is a special guest occupying the official box.
- 2.2. Athletes should salute during a march past parade, presentation of prizes and during the playing of anthems.
- 2.3. For special reasons the Ground Jury may decide that the salute is not necessary.
- 2.4. Athletes may not remove their Headgear when saluting. Raising the whip or lowering the head is considered an appropriate salute.

#### 3. Advertising on Athletes and Horses (See GRs Art. 135)

- 3.1. At all Events, except Regional and Olympic Games under the patronage of the IOC (see Olympic Regulations for Equestrian Events at Olympic Games), Athletes may wear the identification (name and/or logo) of the manufacturer of clothing and equipment or as an alternative that of a sponsor as outlined below:
  - 3.1.1. Identification of the Manufacturer
    - 3.1.1.1. While present in the Competition area and during the prize-giving ceremonies names or logos identifying a non-sponsoring manufacturer of the clothing and equipment may appear only once per item of clothing and equipment and solely on a surface area not exceeding three square centimetres (3 cm<sup>2</sup>) for clothing and equipment.
  - 3.1.2. Identification of Sponsors

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- 3.1.2.1. While present in the Competition area and during the prize-giving ceremonies the name and/or logo of the Athlete's sponsor(s) may appear on a surface area not exceeding:
- two hundred square centimetres (200 cm<sup>2</sup>) on each side of the saddle cloth;
  - eighty square centimetres (80cm<sup>2</sup>) on each of the two sides of jackets or top garments at the height of breast pockets;
  - sixteen square centimetres (16 cm<sup>2</sup>) on both sides of the shirt collar or centrally in the middle part of the collar of ladies' blouses;
  - seventy-five square centimetres (75 cm<sup>2</sup>) for the logo on fly bonnets.
- e) Civilians are allowed to wear the logo of their sponsor vertically in the middle part of their Headgear. Said logo must not be longer than 25 centimetres and wider than five centimetres.
- f) eighty square centimetres (80 cm<sup>2</sup>) (maximum 20 centimetres long, maximum four centimetres wide) only once lengthwise on the left leg of the riding breeches.
- 3.1.2.1.1. Notwithstanding the above, OCs of FEI Championships may prohibit such names and logos in the Schedule, with the exception of the names and logos of the team sponsors and/or of the NF sponsor(s) under the limitations as set forth in JRs Art. 256.3.1.2.1.
- 3.1.2.1.2. Notwithstanding the above, OCs of CIOs may prohibit such names and logos in the Schedule for Nations Cup Competitions, with the exception of the names and logos of the team sponsors and/or of the NF sponsor(s) under the limitations as set forth in JRs Art. 256.3.1.2.1.
- 3.1.2.2. The OC may display the name and/or logo of a Competition and/or Event sponsor(s) on members of the OC crew present in the competition area, as well as on stable rugs when they are in the Competition area and during the prize-giving ceremonies at all FEI Events. The size of name and/or logo on Athlete's number shall not exceed 100 cm<sup>2</sup>.
- 3.1.3 Athlete's National Identification
- 3.1.3.1 While present in the Competition area and during the prize-giving ceremonies the name or logo of the Athlete's nation, its national symbol and/or its national flag, and/or the Athlete's NF logo or name may appear on a surface area not exceeding:
- a reasonable size on each of the two sides of jackets or top garments, at the height of breast pockets;
  - 200 cm<sup>2</sup> on each side of the saddle cloth
  - vertically in the middle part of the Headgear (see specifications JRs Art. 256.3.1.2.1.e)
  - eighty square centimetres (80 cm<sup>2</sup>) (maximum 20 centimetres long, maximum four centimetres wide) only once lengthwise on the left leg of the riding breeches.
  - seventy-five square centimetres (75 cm<sup>2</sup>) for the logo on fly bonnets.
- In any case, the Athlete's national identification may be combined in the same surface area with the name and/or logo of the Athlete's sponsor(s), his team sponsor(s) and/or the NF's sponsor(s) as long as their presence and visibility are in compliance with the surface areas mentioned in Art. 3.1.2.1 and 3.1.3.1.
- 3.1.4 Athlete's Name
- 3.1.4.1 While present in the Competition area and during the prize-giving ceremonies the Athlete's name may appear on a surface area not exceeding 80 cm<sup>2</sup> (maximum 20 centimetres long, maximum four centimetres wide) only once lengthwise on the left leg of the riding breeches;
- 3.2. Unless otherwise specified in this Article, no advertisement or publicity is permitted on any Athlete, Official, Horse, or riding equipment while present in any Competition area or during the performance. However, Athletes inspecting the course may wear the logo of their sponsor, their team sponsor(s), and/or of their NF's sponsor(s) and/or their nationality within a frame not exceeding 400 cm<sup>2</sup> (on the front and back of their top garments and within a frame not exceeding 50 cm<sup>2</sup> on head gear.
- 3.3. Advertising may appear on obstacles, and on the sides of the arena provided any applicable broadcast, internet, or similar law or agreement permits such advertising. Specifications for sponsored obstacles are covered under JRs Art. 208.3.
- 3.4. Unless otherwise agreed in writing by the FEI, for the purpose of this article, the Competition area shall include all areas where the Athlete is being judged or his Horse is undergoing a Horse inspection. It shall not include practice arenas.

## ARTICLE 257 SADDLERY

- In the Competition arena
  - Blinkers are forbidden.
  - Leather, sheepskin or similar material may be used on each cheek piece of the bridle providing the material does not exceed three centimetres in diameter measured from the Horse's cheek.
  - Only unrestricted running martingales are allowed. Standing martingales are permitted for Horses in Children's Competitions.
  - There are no restrictions on bits. However, the Ground Jury has the right, based on veterinary advice, to forbid the use of a bit that may cause injury to the Horse.

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Reins must be attached to the bit(s) or directly to the bridle. Gags and hackamores are allowed.

- 1.5. The use of a tongue-strap is forbidden. For the use of tongue guards, see VRs Art. 1035.4.
- 1.6. Draw reins (running reins) are forbidden in the Competition arena except during prize giving ceremonies and march-past parades.
2. Anywhere within the grounds of the Event (restricted area) under control of the OC, the following provisions apply:
  - 2.1. In the interests of safety, the stirrup iron and the stirrup leather (this also applies to safety stirrups) must hang freely from the bar of the saddle and the outside of the flap. The Athlete must not directly or indirectly tie any part of his body to the saddlery.
  - 2.2. Athletes are allowed to use a dressage whip when working on the flat but are strictly forbidden to use or carry a whip which is weighed down at the end at any time, or to carry or use one which is more than 75 centimetres in length in the arena and schooling areas when riding over poles or any obstacle. No substitute for a whip may be carried. Failure to comply with this paragraph will incur Elimination (see JRs Art. 241.3.21).
  - 2.3. The total maximum weight of equipment allowed to be added to a Horse's leg, front or hind (single or multiple boots, fetlock rings, etc), is 500 grams (shoe excluded). Failure to comply with this paragraph will incur disqualification (see JRs Art. 242.2.8).
  - 2.4. For all international Young Horses Competitions (five \*, six, seven and eight\_year old Horses): All hind leg protections must have a maximum interior length of 16 centimetres ; the width of the fastener must be at least five centimeters (refer to FEI Jumping Stewards' Manual on the FEI website for diagram).

\* NB: Competitions for five year old Horses may only be held at the FEI World Breeding Jumping Championships for Young Horses, unless special authorisation has been granted by the FEI.

The following criteria must be respected in relation to hind boots worn in international Young Horses Competitions (see also the FEI Jumping Stewards Manual on the FEI website):

The inside of the protection must be smooth. Only non-elastic Velcro-type fasteners are permitted; no hooks, buckles, clips or other methods of attaching the fasteners may be used;

The rounded rigid part of the protection must be placed around the inside of the fetlock;

No additional elements may be used in conjunction with the protection.

3. Advertising on Saddlery and Equipment

The requirements set forth in JRs Art. 256.3. apply with regard to restrictions on advertising on saddlery and equipment.

## ARTICLE 258 ACCIDENTS

1. In the event of an accident preventing either the Athlete or a Horse from finishing, both incur Elimination. If, despite the accident, the Athlete completes the round but does not leave the arena mounted, he does not incur Elimination.
2. If the Ground Jury finds that either Athlete or Horse, after an accident, is not fit to compete they must impose Elimination.

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## CHAPTER XI OFFICIALS

### ARTICLE 259 OFFICIALS

#### 1. Ground Jury

Events	Number of Judges <sup>1</sup>	President Ground Jury	Members	Additional Members	President of Competition	Water Jump Judge	Foreign Judge
	Minimum	Minimum Qualification	Minimum Qualif.	Minimum Qualif.	Minimum Qualif.	Minimum Qualif.	Minimum Qualif.
Olympic Games / Youth Olympic Games (YOG)/ World Championship	(**) President + (***) 3	Level 4 <b>Compulsory from foreign nation</b>	Min. two Level 4	Level 3	Level 4	Level 3 (water jump not applicable for YOG)	Level 4
Pan-Am Games / Continental Championship Senior / World Cup Final	(**) President + (***) 3	Level 4 <b>Compulsory from foreign nation</b>	Min. two Level 3	Level 3	Level 3	Level 3	Level 4
Regional Games / Other Championships / CSIOs	President + 3	Level 3 <b>Preferably from host nation</b>	Min. two Level 3	National	Level 3	Level 2	(**) Level 3
CSI5*, CSI4*, CSI3*	President + 2 (*)	Level 3 <b>Preferably from host nation</b>	Min. two Level 3	National	Level 3	Level 2	Level 3 <b>CSI5*/4* appointed by FEI(**)</b>
CSI2* / CSIYH2* CSIY/J/Ch/V/Am Cat. A / CSIP	President + 2 (*)	Level 3 <b>Preferably from host nation</b>	Min. one Level 2	National	Level 2	Level 2	Level 2
CSI1* / CSIYH1* CSIY/J/Ch/V/Am Cat. B	President + 2 (*)	Level 2 <b>Preferably from host nation</b>	Min. one National		National	National	Recommended Level 2
Events that are part of Tours (any star level)	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	As per the star level of the Event	Level as required for the star level of the Event Appointed by FEI (**)

<sup>1</sup> One additional Judge minimum Level 3 to be appointed by the FEI for Events at which limb sensitivity testing is carried out.

(\*) Add one Judge for the water jump (if there is one) or more if there is a large number of Competitions per day.

(\*\*) Appointed by FEI.

Each Competition is to be judged by a group of three Judges in the Judges' box and one additional Judge for the water jump, if there is one.

**IMPORTANT: The number of judges mentioned is a minimum and must be adapted to the number of Competitions per day and the number of arenas functioning at the same time.**



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## 1.1 Promotion of Judges

The existing categories of Judges have been modified as follows:

- (i) National Judge = no change
- (ii) New category Judge = Level 1
- (iii) International Candidate Judge = Level 2
- (iv) International Judge = Level 3
- (v) Official International Judge = Level 4

Promotion of National Judges to the status of Level 1 or Level 2 Judge: refer to the FEI Education System for Judges.

### A) Promotion of Level 1 Judges to the Status of Level 2 Judge

1. The FEI maintains a list of qualified Level 2 Judges. Only experienced Level 1 Judges may be proposed for promotion on an application form supplied by the FEI and signed by the applicant and the President of his NF. These forms must be returned to the FEI by a date to be indicated by the FEI.

1. The requirements for becoming a Level 2 Judge are as follows:

1.1. To have been proposed by his NF and accepted by the FEI Jumping Committee.

1.2. To have acted regularly as President of the Ground Jury at major National Events (regularity will be in relation to the number of Events held in the country of the candidate in question) and to have acted as a member of a Ground Jury at International Events during the current or preceding year.,

1.3. To be able to speak one 1 of the two 2 FEI official languages.

1.4. To have acted once as assistant Course Designer and once as, or assistant to, the Chief Steward during an entire Event run under FEI Rules, preferably International.,

1.5. To have qualified at a FEI basic course for Level 2 Judges.

1.6. In principle, to be 50 years or under.

2. Following promotion a Level 2 Judge must be a member of a Ground Jury during at least eight International Events over a four years period.

3. Having fulfilled the above requirements an applicant will be accepted by the FEI Jumping Committee, promoted to the status of Level 2 Judge and listed in the FEI Directory.

4. Level 2 Judges should gain as much experience as possible as members of Ground Juries at International Events or as the President of the Ground Jury at CSI 1\* Events.

5. Level 2 Judges who do not judge at International Events during three consecutive years, without valid reason, will be removed from the FEI list of Judges.

### B) Promotion of Level 2 Judges to the Status of Level 3 Judge

1. The FEI maintains a list of qualified Level 3 Judges, appointed by the Jumping Committee in consultation with the relevant NFs. The requirements for promotion to the status of Level 3 Judge are as follows:

1.1. To have acted as Level 2 Judge for at least two years.

1.2. To be able to speak one of the two FEI official languages.

1.3. To have acted regularly (regularly will be in relation to the number of Events held in the country of the candidate in question) as President or Member of the Ground Jury at International Events. Preferably, in addition to have acted as President of Appeal Committees, and have acted as Steward at International Jumping Events (or National Events run under FEI Rules).

1.4. To have been favourably assessed by the Foreign Judge in his report form to the FEI (Foreign Judges will report to the FEI on the Level 2 Judge's activities during the International Event. It is the responsibility of the Level 2 Judge to report to the Foreign Judge before the Event, if he wishes to be mentioned in his report).

1.5. Level 2 Judges must attend a course for Level 3 Judges and obtain sufficient marks in the course examination before they can be considered for promotion.

2. Upon the request of the NFs, Level 2 Judges who have fulfilled the above requirements will be promoted to the status of Level 3 Judge. If the above requirements have not been fulfilled within four years after promotion, the individual will be removed from the list of Judges.

3. Only Level 3 Judges having attended an FEI seminar for Level 3 Judges may act as President of the Ground Jury at CSIO and CSI5\* to CSI2\* Events.

4. Each Level 3 Judge must attend a Level 3 Judges' course every five years from the time of promotion.

5. A Level 3 Judge may be promoted to the status of Level 4 Judge by the Bureau on the recommendation of the Jumping Committee, which shall be based on extensive experience and demonstrated proficiency as a Judge at high level Competitions (CSIO5\*, CSI5\* and CSI4\*).

6. Age of retirement for all Judges is 70 years. This applies also to National Judges officiating on the Ground Jury at International Jumping Events. A two-year extension period may be granted by the FEI Jumping Director in agreement with the

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Technical Committee a maximum of two times; the last extension period is valid until the end of the year in which the Judge reaches the age of 74.

7. Level 3 Judges who do not judge at International Events during three consecutive years, without valid reason, will be removed from the FEI list of Judges.

### C) Promotion of Level 3 Judges to the Status of Level 4 Judge

1. The requirements for the promotion to the status of Level 4 Judges are as follows :

1.1 Must have the status of Level 3 Judge for at least four years;

1.2 Must have acted as the President or Foreign Judge of a Ground Jury at least four times at a CSIO5\* Event and four times at a CSI4\* or CSI5\* Event;

1.3 Must have been a member of the Ground Jury at a FEI Continental Championship or FEI World Cup™ Final;

1.4 Must have acted as member of the Ground Jury at international Events, regularly each year, since promotion to Level 3 status.

### 2. Control of Schedule and Foreign Judge's Report to FEI

Events	Control of Schedule by	Report to FEI within 14 days of the Event
Olympic Games World Championship	FEI	President of Ground Jury
Regional Games Continental Championships for Seniors FEI World Cup™ Final Other Championships	FEI	President of Ground Jury
CSIO1* to 5*	FEI	Foreign Judge
CSI3* to 5*	FEI	Foreign Judge
CSI2*/CSIYH2*	Foreign Judge(*) + NF	Foreign Judge
CSIY/J/Ch/V/Am Cat. A; CSIP	FEI	Foreign Judge
CSI1*/CSIY/J/ Ch/V/Am Cat. B CSIYH1*	Foreign Judge(*) + NF or President of Ground Jury	Foreign Judge or President of Ground Jury

(\*) send remarks to OC, copy to FEI and NF of OC

### 3. Appeal Committee

The composition of the Appeal Committee and the appointment of the President and members of this Committee must be in accordance with the GRs. An Appeal Committee is optional at all CSI and CSIO Events for all age categories; however, the FEI reserves the right to require the appointment of an Appeal Committee at any given Event, if it is considered that the duties of the Appeal Committee cannot be carried out by the Ground Jury due to lack of time at Events with a large number of Horses.

### 4. Veterinary Commission and Veterinary Delegate

4.1. The composition of the Veterinary Commission, which is compulsory for Olympic, Regional Games and Youth Olympic Games, Championships, the FEI World Cup™ Final and CSIOs for Seniors and the appointment of the President and members must be in accordance with the VRs.

4.2. At CSIOs for categories other than Seniors and at CSIs a Veterinarian to be regarded as the Veterinary Delegate appointed by the OC, is required in accordance with the VRs.

### 5. Course Designer and Technical Delegate

#### 5.1. Course Designer

5.1.1. In Regional Games and Regional Championships, the Course Designer must be selected from the FEI list of Level 3 Course Designers at least and appointed by the relevant NF/OC with the agreement of the FEI.

5.1.2. The Course Designer for the Olympic Games, the Youth Olympic Games, the World Championship, the Continental Championship for Seniors, the FEI Nations Cup™ Final and the FEI World Cup™ Final must be a Level 4 Course Designer and is appointed by the OC with the agreement of the FEI.

5.1.3. In CSIO3\*/4\*/5\* and CSI3\*/4\*/5\*, the Course Designer is appointed by the OC and must be selected from the FEI list of Level 3 Course Designers at least.

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5.1.4. The Course Designer for CSIO1\*, CSIO2\* Events at which the Nations Cup Competition is built to the dimensions set forth in JRs Art. 264.3 for 2\* Events and CSII\*/2\* is appointed by the OC and must be selected from the FEI list of Level 2 Course Designers at least. The Course Designer for CSIO2\* Events that are at which the Nations Cup Competition is built to the dimensions set forth in JRs Art. 264.3 for 3\* Events or higher must be selected from the list of Level 3 Course Designers at least.

5.1.5. A Course Designer must be especially mindful of the Conflict of Interest rule set forth in paragraph 7 below and, in particular, may not act as Course Designer at the same Event where one or more of his immediate relatives are competing.

5.1.6. Promotion of Course Designers

Refer to the Education System for FEI Course Designers Jumping published on the FEI website.

The previous categories of Course Designers have been modified as follows:

- (i) National Course Designers = no change
- (ii) New category Course Designer = Level 1
- (iii) International Candidate Course Designers = Level 2
- (iv) International Course Designers = Level 3
- (v) Official International Course Designers = Level 4

5.2. Technical Delegate

5.2.1 For Regional Games, Regional Championships, a Foreign Technical Delegate, selected from the FEI list of Level 3 Course Designers at least and appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee, is compulsory.

5.2.2. The Foreign Technical Delegate for the Olympic Games, the Youth Olympic Games, World Championship, Continental Championship for Seniors, the FEI Nations Cup™ Final and FEI World Cup™ Final must be or have been a Level 4 Course Designer and must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee.

5.2.3. A Technical Delegate (Foreign or National), preferably selected from the FEI list of Judges and Course Designers, may be appointed by the OC of CSIOs and CSIs.

6. Stewards

The schooling area(s) and warming-up area(s) must always be supervised. One steward at least must always be present whenever the area(s) are in use, to ensure that the rules are observed.

6.1 A Chief Steward must be appointed for every international Event and must be selected from the FEI list of stewards. For Olympic, Youth Olympic and Regional Games, World, Continental and Regional Championships, FEI Nations Cup™ Final and FEI World Cup™ Final, the Chief Steward must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director in consultation with the Jumping Committee. For the following levels of Events, the Chief Steward must have at least the status as indicated below:

(i) All CSIOs, all CSIs, Championships for categories other than Seniors: Level 2 Steward.

(ii) Olympic, Regional and Youth Olympic Games, Senior Continental, Regional and World Championships, FEI World Cup™ Finals: Level 3 Steward.

6.2 Assistant Stewards

All Assistant Stewards appointed to international Events must hold the status of Level 1 Steward at least. A minimum of four Assistant Stewards must be appointed for each Event; additional Assistant Stewards may need to be appointed, depending on the number of Events running concurrently at the same venue.

7. Conflict of Interest

A substantial appearance of a conflict of interest exists whenever others may reasonably infer from the given circumstances that a conflict exists. A conflict of interest is defined as any personal, professional or financial relationship, including, but not limited to, relationships of family members that could influence or be perceived to influence objectivity when representing or conducting business or other dealings for, or on behalf of, the FEI.

Conflicts must be avoided whenever practicable. However, there may be instances where the FEI must balance conflicts of interest against proven expertise in order to achieve the optimal sporting result.

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## CHAPTER XII COMPETITIONS

### ARTICLE 260 GENERAL

1. There are many different Jumping Competitions for both individuals and teams. The following provisions cover the types of Competitions, which are mostly used at international Events.
2. OCs may propose new types of Jumping Competitions to encourage variety in the sport. However, any Competition covered by this Chapter must be run strictly according to these JRs.

### ARTICLE 261 NORMAL COMPETITIONS AND GRAND PRIX COMPETITIONS

1. Normal and Grand Prix Competitions (the latter must be explicitly designated in the Schedule) are those in which performance over obstacles is the principle factor although speed may be introduced to separate equality for first place by a first jump-off or by a maximum of two jump-offs.
2. These Competitions are judged under Table A against or not against the clock, but always with a time allowed.
3. The course is built primarily to test the ability of the Horse over the obstacles. The number of obstacles, their type, their height and spread, within the set forth limits, are the responsibility of OCs.
4. Qualification for Grand Prix
- 4.1 If qualification conditions for Athlete/Horse are scheduled for the Grand Prix at a CSIO, it is compulsory that the formula given below is referred to.

The following are automatically qualified for the Grand Prix at CSIOs, if present as official team members or individual:

- 4.1.1 The individual medal winners (Athletes) of the last Olympic and Pan American Games, of the last World and Continental Championships and the first placed Athlete/Horse combination in the last FEI World Cup™ Final.
- 4.1.2 Eligible to participate in Grand Prix Competitions at 5\* CSIO Events are the winners (Athlete/Horse combination) of the Grand Prix at any 5\* CSIO Event during the previous 12 months.
- 4.1.3 Eligible to participate in Grand Prix Competitions at 4\* CSIO Events are the winners (Athlete/Horse combinations) of the Grand Prix at any 4\* or 5\* CSIO Event during the previous 12 months.
- 4.2 If qualification conditions for Athlete/Horse are scheduled for the Grand Prix at a CSI Event, it is compulsory that the formula given below is referred to. This does not apply to CSI events that are part of a series approved by the FEI Bureau.  
The following Athletes (not Athlete/Horse combinations) are automatically qualified for the Grand Prix at CSI Events, if present:
  - 4.2.1 The winner of that Event's Grand Prix the previous year;
  - 4.2.2 The current National Champion of the host country;
  - 4.2.3 The individual medal winners of the last Olympic and Pan-American Games, the last World and Continental Championships and the winner of the FEI World Cup™ Final.
- 4.3 If qualification conditions for Athlete/Horse are scheduled for the Grand Prix Competition at a CSIO or a CSI, it is compulsory that all qualifying Competitions are run under Table A against the clock or under Table A with one or two jump-offs.
- 4.4 All Athletes taking part in a Grand Prix at a CSIO or a CSI must have completed, with their Grand Prix Horse, the initial round of at least one competition prior to the Grand Prix.

5. Grand Prix Competitions must be conducted in accordance with one of the following formulas:

- 5.1. over one round with one or two jump-offs, the first or the second jump-off against the clock, or both against the clock; or
- 5.2. over two rounds (identical or different) with one eventual jump-off against the clock; or
- 5.3. over two rounds, with the second round against the clock.

6. At CSIO Events the Grand Prix Competition must be judged according to one of the following formulas:

- 6.1. JRs Art. 238.2.2: one round against the clock with one jump-off against the clock; or
- 6.2. JRs Art. 273.3.3.1 or 273.3.3.2: two rounds without a jump-off; or
- 6.3. JRs Art. 273.3.1 or 273.3.4.2: two rounds and one jump-off.

The number of efforts in the first round must be limited to 15 and to nine in the second round.

### ARTICLE 262 POWER AND SKILL COMPETITIONS

1. General

- 1.1. The aim of these Competitions is to demonstrate the ability of the Horse to jump a limited number of large obstacles.

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- 1.2. In the event of equality for first place, there must be successive jump-offs.
  - 1.3. The obstacles of the jump-offs must always be the same shape, the same type and the same colour as in the initial round.
  - 1.4. If, at the end of the third jump-off, there is no single winner, the Ground Jury may stop the Competition. After the fourth jump-off, the Ground Jury must stop the Competition. The Athletes left in the Competition are placed equal.
  - 1.5. If, after the third jump-off, the Athletes do not wish to continue, the Ground Jury must stop the Competition.
  - 1.6. There cannot be a fourth jump-off if Athletes have not had a faultless round in the third jump-off.
  - 1.7. Time is never a deciding factor in the event of equality of Penalties. There is no time allowed and no time limit.
  - 1.8. These Competitions are judged under Table A.
  - 1.9. If it is not possible for Athletes to school in the practice arena, a practice obstacle must be placed in the arena. An optional obstacle is not allowed.
  - 1.10. If the dimensions of the arena and the number of Athletes permit it, the Ground Jury may decide that the Athletes still in the Competition may remain in the arena after the first or second jump-off. In this case, the Ground Jury may decide to allow a practice obstacle.
2. Puissance
    - 2.1. The initial round will comprise from four to six single obstacles of which at least one must be a vertical obstacle. The first obstacle must be at least 1.40 m in height, two obstacles from 1.60 m to 1.70 m and one wall or vertical obstacle, which may vary from 1.70 m to 1.80 m in height. All combination obstacles, water jumps, ditches and natural obstacles are forbidden.

It is permissible to use a wall with a sloping face on the take-off side (maximum slope of 30 cm offset at the base).
    - 2.2. A vertical obstacle instead of a wall may be used, in which case, planks with a pole on top or a combination of planks and poles with a pole on top or all poles may be used as a substitute.
    - 2.3. In the event of equality for first place, there must be successive jump-offs over two obstacles, which must be a wall or a vertical obstacle and a spread obstacle (see JRs Art. 246.1).
    - 2.4. In the jump-offs, both obstacles must be increased regularly in height and the spread obstacle also in spread. The vertical obstacle or wall may be increased in height only if Athletes equal for first place have not been penalised in the preceding round (see JRs Art. 246.1).
  3. Six Bar Competition
    - 3.1. In this Competition, six vertical obstacles are placed in a straight line about 11 metres apart from each other. They must be identically constructed and composed only of poles of the same type. The number of obstacles may be reduced depending on the size of the arena.
    - 3.2. All the obstacles may be kept at the same height, for example 1,20 m, or
      - 3.2.1 at progressive heights, for example 1.10 m, 1.20 m, 1.30 m, 1.40 m, 1.50 m, 1.60 m, or;
      - 3.2.2 the first two at 1.20 m, the next two at 1.30 m and so on.
    - 3.3. In the event of a Refusal or a Run-out, the Athlete must restart the course at the obstacle where the Fault was made.
    - 3.4. The first jump-off must take place over the six obstacles which must be raised unless the Athletes who are equal for first place have been penalised in the first round. After the first jump-off, the number of obstacles may be reduced to four but the distance between them must be kept at about 11 metres as required initially (the lower obstacles should be withdrawn).
  4. Masters
    - 4.1. This is a Competition with an initial round and a maximum of four jump-offs. In the initial round, a course of six obstacles (including one double) is built at a maximum height of 1.50 m, maximum spread 1.40 – 1.70 m. In each jump-off, when the Athlete enters the arena, he selects one obstacle to be raised. The first fault eliminates the Athlete. In this case, the obstacle that has been raised is lowered to its height prior to being raised by the Athlete. The obstacles may only be raised a second time in the same jump-off providing all of the obstacles have already been raised and have not been lowered to their initial height for that jump-off.
    - 4.2. In case of equality of penalties after the 3<sup>rd</sup> jump-off, a 4<sup>th</sup> jump off against the clock, without altering the height of the obstacles, takes place among the Athletes concerned to decide the classification. The maximum height and spread in the 4<sup>th</sup> and final jump-off are: Height: 1.70m maximum – Spread: 2m maximum – Triple bar : 2.20m maximum.

## ARTICLE 263 HUNTING COMPETITION OR SPEED AND HANDINESS COMPETITION

1. The aim of these Competitions is to demonstrate the Horse 's obedience, handiness and speed.
2. These Competitions are judged under Table C (see JRs Art. 239).
3. Courses must be twisting, with obstacles very varied (alternative obstacles allowed, giving the Athlete the opportunity to shorten his track, but by taking a more difficult obstacle).

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Competitions over certain natural obstacles such as banks, slopes, ditches, etc. are called Hunting Competitions and must be so named in the Schedule. All other Competitions (of this type) are called Speed and Handiness Competitions.

4. No fixed track to be followed is set forth on the plan. The plan must only be marked with a series of arrows showing the direction in which each obstacle must be jumped.
5. Compulsory turning points are included only if absolutely necessary.

### ARTICLE 264 NATIONS CUP

#### 1. Organisation

The Nations Cup (also referred as "NC") is the official international team Competition. Its object is to compare the merit of Athletes and Horses from different NFs under the following conditions:

- 1.1 A Nations Cup may only be organised on the occasion of a CSIO. In principle, the European CSIO season is reserved for outdoor Events only, unless otherwise agreed by the Chair of the Jumping Committee together with the FEI Secretary General, in exceptional circumstances.
- 1.2. At least three NFs must take part in this Competition for it to be recognised as a Nations Cup.
- 1.3. If, for any reason, this Competition is organised under another name, the words "Nations Cup" must be added as a subtitle.
- 1.4. It is the only Competition in which official teams represent NFs and to preserve its special character, there must be no individual placing.
- 1.5. The total prize money must be at least equal to 50% of the amount provided for the Grand Prix Competition or for the Competition with the highest prize money unless the FEI Secretary General gives his approval for a modification to this formula.

Prize money must be awarded to all teams participating in the second round.

- 1.6. The Competition takes place over two rounds, over the same course during the course of the same day.
- 1.7. The Nations Cup is judged under Table A not against the clock with a time allowed in both rounds.

#### 2. Different categories of Nations Cup Competitions

According to the total amount of prize money for the Event, a 5\*, 4\*, 3\*, 2\* or 1\* CSIO can be held.

#### 3. Obstacles and other technical requirements

- 3.1 The number and dimensions of the obstacles and the length of the course must be within the following limits:

	5* NC	4* NC	3* NC	2* NC	1* NC
<b>Number of obstacles</b>	12	12	12	12	12
<b>Min./max. Height (metres)</b>	1.30/1.60	1.30/1.50	1.20/1.45	1.10/1.35	1.00/1.20
<b>At least 2 vertical obstacles with a height of (metres)</b>	1.60	1.50	1.45	1.35	1.20
<b>At least six other obstacles with a height of (metres)</b>	1.50	1.45	1.40	1.30	1.10
<b>At least 2 spread obstacles with a minimum height / spread of (metres)</b>	1.50/1.70	1.45/1.60	1.40/1.50	1.30/1.50	1.20/1.40
<b>Max. Spread (metres)</b>	2.00	1.90	1.80	1.70	1.50
<b>Max. spread of triple bar (metres)</b>	2.20	2.10	2.00	1.90	1.70
<b>Min./max. spread of water jump (metres) (refer to JRs Art. 211.1)</b>	4.00/4.20	3.80/4.00	3.50/3.70	3.20/3.50	2.70/3.00
<b>Min./max. length of the course (metres)</b>	500/700	500/700	500/700	500/700	500/700
<b>Speed outdoor (m/min.)</b>	400	400	375	350	350
<b>Speed indoor (m/min.)</b>	350	350	350	350	350

- 3.2. The course must include a water jump (optional in indoor arenas, where the spread may be less than indicated above). Refer to JRs Art. 211.1 and Annex VII for details relating to the construction of the water jump. Only in very exceptional circumstances and with the express permission of the FEI Secretary General it may be omitted. The measurements for the water jump given above include the take-off element.
- 3.3. No combination obstacle may require more than three jumping efforts, except in the case of permanent obstacles, banks, mounds or slopes at outdoor Events.

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- 3.4. The course must include at least one double or one treble combination, but not more than three doubles or one double and one treble combination.
- 3.5. The length of the course in indoor arenas may be less than indicated above.
- 3.6. If the Ground Jury decides before the first or the second round that the course has been rendered impracticable as a result of unforeseen circumstances, it may direct that the dimensions of some obstacles be reduced or that they be moved slightly and/or that the required speed is reduced. In consultation with the Course Designer, the Ground Jury may also direct that the dimensions of some obstacles be increased for the second round, if it is deemed that the course of the first round was too easy.

### 4. Athletes

- 4.1. A full Nations Cup team comprises four Athletes each riding the same Horse throughout the Competition. All members of each team must take part in the first round, except as stated in paragraph 4.2 below.
- 4.2. If a team, comprising four Athletes, cannot improve its placing in the first or second round after its third Athlete has completed his course, the fourth Athlete may be withdrawn.

### 5. Participation

Participation in Nations Cup Competitions is subject to the following conditions:

- 5.1. The Athletes and Horses are chosen from the official team, declared by the Chef d'Equipe before the first Competition. The Chef d'Equipe will, on the day preceding the Nations Cup, declare the four Athletes and Horses, including their starting order;
- 5.2. When a team can only provide three Athletes and three Horses, its Chef d'Equipe must start his three Athletes and Horses;
- 5.3. Except in circumstances beyond control recognised as such by the Ground Jury, participation in this Competition is compulsory for all NFs officially represented by at least three Athletes. A team that abstains or withdraws and thus fails to participate will be deprived of all prize money won during the whole Event. In addition, they will lose all right to living expenses;
- 5.4. When three or more Athletes of the same nationality from a NF which is not officially represented have been entered as individuals, they must make up a team for the Nations Cup unless their NF has informed the OC seven days before the Event that these Athletes may not take part in the Nations Cup. In this case, the OC has the right to refuse the entries of these Athletes as individuals;
- 5.5. In the event of an accident or illness to an Athlete and/or Horse, between the submission of the declaration and one hour before the start of the Competition, the Athlete and/or Horse may on production of a certificate from an officially recognised medical doctor and/or with the permission of the Veterinary Commission and after approval by the Ground Jury be replaced by another Athlete and/or Horse entered with the definite entries for the official team (see JRs Art. 253). In the event of substitution, the starting order remains unchanged.

If all NFs are permitted to enter individuals in addition to team members, substitution of an individual Athlete onto a team is permitted in the case of illness or accident where the maximum number of team members allowed to participate is four (see JRs Art. 253).

### 6. Order of starting

- 6.1. The starting order of the teams in the first round is determined by a draw in the presence of the Ground Jury and the Chefs d'Equipe. The draw will take place at a time fixed by the OC in agreement with the Ground Jury.
- 6.2. All the number ones start first in succession, then all the number twos and so on. The Chefs d'Equipe of teams comprising only three Athletes may choose in which of the three positions out of four they will start their Athletes.
- 6.3. The starting order of the teams in the second round will be in the reverse order of the total Penalties in the first round of the best three Athletes in each team. In case of equality of Penalties the teams will retain the starting order of the first round.
- 6.4. The Athletes in each team start in the same order as in the first round.

### 7. Number of teams and Athletes in the second round

At the discretion of the OC, the best six (minimum) to eight (maximum) teams after the first round take part in the second round with four Athletes per team, except otherwise provided in paragraphs 4.2 and 5.2 above. If there are fewer than six teams participating in the first round, all teams, if not eliminated in the first round, may take part in the second round with four Athletes per team.

Those teams equal on Penalties for sixth, seventh or eighth place (depending on the number of teams to take part in the second round) will be separated by the total times of the three best Athletes of each team in the first round.

The OC must decide during the draw for the Nations Cup whether the home team will return for the second round as an extra team, if it is not qualified among the six to eight teams eligible to take part. The home team will only be permitted to return for the second round, if there is a difference of not more than eight Penalties between the home team and the last qualified team for the second round.

### 8. Elimination and retirement

- 8.1. If two or more Athletes of a team, participating with four Athletes in the first or second round, are eliminated or retire, the whole team is eliminated.

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- 8.2. If one Athlete of a team, participating with three Athletes in the first or second round, is eliminated or retires, the whole team is eliminated.
- 8.3. If a team is qualified to take part in the second round, an Athlete eliminated in the first round may start in the second round.
- 8.4. A team, which is qualified to take part in the second round, may only withdraw from the second round with permission of the Ground Jury. In this case the team will not receive prize money. It will not be replaced by another team.
9. Placing and classification
  - 9.1 Classification of the teams not taking part in the second round is based on the total Penalties of the three best Athletes of each team in the first round. Teams with equality of Penalties are placed equal.
  - 9.2. Placing of teams after the second round is decided as follows:

The total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team in the first round are added to the total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team in the second round.

    - 9.2.1. In case of equality of Penalties for the first place, there will be a jump-off in which one Athlete per team will participate. The Chef d'Equipe determines which member of his team will participate in the jump-off. Any one of the four team members may take part in the jump-off.

The jump-off takes place against the clock over a minimum of six obstacles.

In case of equality of Penalties and time after the jump-off, the teams concerned will be placed equal first.

Teams with equality of total Penalties for other places are placed equal.
10. Nations Cup at other Events
  - 10.1. If a Nations Cup is organised at other Events, such as CSIOY, CSIOJ, CSIOCh or CSIOJ, the provisions mentioned under paragraph 7 above apply.

For the measurements of the obstacles and the course those given in the relevant FEI Rules and Regulations are applicable.
  - 10.2. However, in case of equality of Penalties for the first place, there will be a jump-off in which all team Athletes may take part. The jump-off takes place against the clock over a minimum of six obstacles.
  - 10.3. The Score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of Penalties, the times of these three Athletes in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team.
  - 10.4. Teams with equality of total Penalties for other places are placed equal.

## ARTICLE 265 SPONSOR TEAM AND OTHER TEAM COMPETITIONS

### 1. Sponsor Team Competitions

A Sponsor Team Competition must consist of three or four Athletes and be run according to the provisions set forth in the Schedule. Sponsor Team Competitions may not be arranged at CSIOs or CSI-W Events or Championships. Sponsor Team Competitions may not use any of the Nations Cup formulas.

Sponsor Team Competitions can be arranged either as separate Competitions or within a Competition also with an individual classification. Team Athletes participating in this type of Competition must be listed in the starting list for this Competition only by name and team rather than by name and NF. In order to take part in FEI Events Sponsor Teams must be registered with the FEI in accordance with the following provisions:

Corporations or organisations with the exception of political or religious organisations may sponsor a team consisting of minimum three Athletes to participate in special Sponsored Team Competitions or in Competitions with an individual classification. Each member of a sponsored team must have a written commercial agreement with the corporation or organisation under whose name said team competes.

The details according to which the Sponsored Team Competition is to be run will be provided in the Schedule.

The Sponsored Team Competitions, may never be called Nations Cup Competition or run according to any Nations Cup formula.

Team Athletes participating in this type of Competition must be listed for the Sponsored tTam Competition only by name and team, any reference to their NF being omitted.

Sponsored Team as well as Rider Tour Teams are allowed to participate in any international Competition only if they are registered with the FEI and have paid the annual registration fee, which, for a team including up to four Athletes is ten thousand Swiss Francs (CHF 10,000).

For each additional Athlete per team a fee of one thousand Swiss Francs (CHF 1000) per year is payable. In the above amount protection of Sponsored Team jacket is included.

Sponsor Team Competitions may not be included in the program of CSIOs or CSI-W Events or Championships.

### 2. Other Team Competitions



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Other Competitions for teams may be organised, according to the conditions in the Schedule. However, they may never be called Nations Cup Competition or Sponsor Team Competition. There can be no reference to representation of a nation.

### ARTICLE 266 FAULT-AND-OUT COMPETITION

1. This Competition takes place against the clock over medium sized obstacles each with its own number. Combination obstacles are not allowed. The round finishes at the first Fault committed of whatever nature (obstacle knocked down, any Disobedience, fall, etc.).

When an obstacle is knocked down or when the fixed time is reached, the bell is rung. The Athlete must then jump the next obstacle and the clock is stopped at the moment when the Horse's forefeet touch the ground, but no points are given for the obstacle jumped after the bell has rung.

2. In this Competition bonus points are awarded: two points for an obstacle jumped correctly and one point for an obstacle knocked down.
3. When the Fault, which ends the round, is other than a knock down, such as Disobedience, a fall or when the Athlete does not jump the obstacle over which the clock must be stopped, the bell is rung. The Athlete is then placed last of those who have obtained the same number of points.
4. The winner of the Competition is the Athlete who obtains the greatest number of points. In the event of equality, the Athletes' times are taken into consideration and the Athlete with the fastest time will be declared the winner.
5. A Fault-and-Out Competition may be organised in two ways:

- 5.1 Over a set number of obstacles:

When the Competition takes place over a maximum number of obstacles and the Athlete has jumped the last obstacle, the clock is stopped at the moment when the Athlete crosses the finishing line.

In the event of equality of points and time for first place only, there must be a Fault-and-Out jump-off over a limited number of obstacles.

- 5.2 With a fixed time of 60 to 90 seconds (45 in indoor arenas):

The Athlete takes the greatest number of obstacles in the fixed time and restarts the course if the fixed time has not yet been reached.

If the fixed time is reached at the moment when the Horse is already taking off this obstacle counts whether it is knocked down or not. Time is taken at the following obstacle, at the moment when the Horse's forefeet touch the ground on landing. If there is an equality of Penalties and time, Athletes are placed equal.

### ARTICLE 267 HIT-AND-HURRY COMPETITION

1. In this Competition, instead of being eliminated at the first Fault, the Athlete gets two points for an obstacle correctly jumped and one point for an obstacle knocked down. Combination obstacles are not allowed.
2. This Competition takes place with a fixed time of 60 to 90 seconds (45 seconds indoors). Disobediences are penalised by the time lost by the Athlete, but two Disobediences and the first fall stop the Athlete. In this case, the Athlete will be placed last of the Athletes who have obtained the same number of points.
3. The winner of the Competition will be the Athlete who at the end of the fixed time has acquired the greatest number of points in the fastest time.
4. When the fixed time is reached, the bell is rung. The Athlete must then jump the next obstacle and the clock is stopped at the moment when the Horse's forefeet reach the ground, but he is given no points for the obstacle jumped after the bell has rung.
5. If the fixed time is reached at the moment when the Horse is already taking off, this obstacle, whether it is knocked down or not, counts. The Athlete's time is taken at the next obstacle as in paragraph 4.  
  
If an Athlete has a Disobedience and displaces or knocks down an obstacle, the fixed time must be decreased by six seconds and the bell must be rung accordingly.
6. When the Athlete does not jump at the first attempt the obstacle at which the clock should be stopped, the round is ended. The Athlete is then placed last of those who have obtained the same number of points.

### ARTICLE 268 RELAY COMPETITIONS

1. General
  - 1.1. These Competitions are for teams of two or three Athletes. The team members enter the arena together.
  - 1.2. The course shown on the plan must be completed consecutively according to the number of team members.
  - 1.3. The Athlete going through the starting line must jump the first obstacle and the Athlete jumping the last obstacle must also cross the finishing line in order to stop the clock. If an Athlete crosses the finishing line after another Athlete has jumped the penultimate obstacle, the team is eliminated.

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- 1.4. The time of the round is taken from the moment when the first Athlete crosses the starting line until the last member of the team passes the finishing line.
- 1.5. The time allowed is based on the speed for the Competition and the length of the course multiplied by the number of team members.
- 1.6. If, during the round, Disobediences with knock down are committed, the time corrections must be added to the time taken to complete the round (see JRs Art. 232).
- 1.7. The Elimination of a team member incurs the Elimination of the whole team.
- 1.8. The second Disobedience by any team member or a fall by an Athlete/Horse eliminates the whole team.
- 1.9. The team is eliminated if, in changing over, the Athlete takes off to jump an obstacle before the forefeet of the Horse of his team member have reached the ground.
2. Relay Competitions are run as follows:
  - 2.1. Normal Relays
    - 2.1.1. In these Competitions the first Athlete jumps his round and having taken the last obstacle the next Athlete starts his round and so on.
    - 2.1.2. As soon as the Horses' forefeet of his team member jumping the last obstacle have reached the ground, the next Athlete may jump his first obstacle.
    - 2.1.3. These Competitions are run under Table C.
  - 2.2. Fault-and-Out Relays

Fault-and-Out Relays take place according to the provisions set forth for the Fault-and-Out Competition under JRs Art. 266 either over a maximum number of obstacles to be jumped by the whole team or with a fixed total time during which the whole team must jump the greatest number of obstacles.

    - 2.2.1. Over a maximum number of obstacles
      - 2.2.1.1. The change over, indicated by a sound of the bell, is compulsory when each Athlete has completed his round or when an Athlete commits a Fault, except at the last obstacle. His team member must then take over respectively at the first obstacle or at the next obstacle where a knockdown has occurred or at the obstacle where Disobedience has been committed.
      - 2.2.1.2. If the last team member has completed his round with no Penalty or if he knocks down the last obstacle of the course, his round ends at the finishing line and the clock must be stopped at this moment.
      - 2.2.1.3. When the last Athlete knocks down an obstacle of the course, other than the last one, the bell is rung and the Athlete must then jump the next obstacle to allow his time to be recorded. When this Athlete, for any other reason, does not jump the obstacle at which the clock must be stopped, the whole team is placed last of those who have obtained the same number of points and have their time recorded.
      - 2.2.1.4. In this Competition bonus points are awarded: two points for an obstacle jumped correctly and one point for an obstacle knocked down. One point is deducted for the first Disobedience, two points for the following Disobedience committed by each of the second or the third team member depending on the number of Athletes in the team. One point is deducted for each commenced second exceeding the time allowed.
      - 2.2.1.5. The classification is reached according to the highest number of points obtained by the team and the fastest time.
    - 2.2.2. With a fixed total time
      - 2.2.2.1. In this case, the above provisions under paragraphs 2.2.1.1, 2.2.1.3, 2.2.1.4. and 2.2.1.5. must be applied.
      - 2.2.2.2. Each team has 45 (minimum) to 90 (maximum) seconds multiplied by the number of team members.
      - 2.2.2.3. The team takes the greatest number of obstacles in the fixed time and the first team member restarts the course if the fixed time has not yet been reached.
      - 2.2.2.4. If the last Athlete knocks down the last obstacle of his round, he must jump the first obstacle of the course to allow the time to be recorded.
      - 2.2.2.5. If, during the round a Disobedience with a knock down is committed, the six seconds time correction is deducted from the fixed time.
  - 2.3. Fault-and-Out Successive Relays

These Competitions take place according to the same rules as for the Fault-and-Out Relays over a maximum number of obstacles. However, the Athletes take over from each other after each Fault until the course has been completed by as many times as the number of members in each team.
  - 2.4. Fault-and-Out Optional Relays
    - 2.4.1. In these Competitions the Athletes may take over as they like in the Competition but a change-over is compulsory, indicated by a sound of the bell, when each Athlete has completed his course or at the point where a Fault is committed.
    - 2.4.2. Optional relays are run under Table C.

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### ARTICLE 269 ACCUMULATOR COMPETITION

1. This Competition takes place over six , eight or ten obstacles with an increasing difficulty. Combination obstacles are not allowed. The increasing difficulty is not solely due to the height and spread of the obstacles, but also to the difficulty of the track.
2. Bonus points are awarded as follows: one point for obstacle number one not knocked down, two points for number (2), three points for number three ( 3), etc. with a total of 21, 36 or 55 points. No point is awarded for an obstacle knocked down. Faults other than knock-downs are penalised as for Table A.
3. This Competition may take place either with the first round against the clock without a jump-off, or against the clock or not against the clock with a jump-off in case of equality of points for first place following the initial round. In case of a jump-off there will be a minimum of six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread. The obstacles in the jump-off must be jumped in the same order as in the first round and retain their respective points allotted in the first round.
4. If the Competition takes place not against the clock with a jump-off, Athletes not qualified for the jump-off are placed according to their points obtained in the first round, disregarding the time. If the Competition takes place with the first round against the clock and a jump-off, Athletes not qualified for the jump-off are placed according to Penalties and time obtained in the first round.
5. For the last obstacle of the course, an alternative obstacle may be provided, of which one element may be designated the Joker. The Joker must be more difficult than the alternative obstacle and carry double points. If the Joker is knocked down, these points must be deducted from the total points obtained so far by the Athlete.
- 5.1 As an option, the Joker may be placed after the finish line, in which case it is not part of the main course and the following formula must be used: after the Athlete has crossed the finish line his time is recorded and he has 20 seconds in which to attempt the Joker once should he so choose. If the Joker is correctly jumped, the Athlete earns double points of the last obstacle of the main course. If the Joker is knocked down (JRs Art. 217.1), these double points must be deducted from the total points obtained so far by the Athlete.

### ARTICLE 270 TOP SCORE COMPETITION

1. In this Competition, a certain number of obstacles are set up in the arena. Each obstacle carries from ten to 120 points according to its difficulty. Combination obstacles are not allowed.
2. The obstacles must be built so that they can be jumped in both directions.
3. The points allocated to the obstacles may be repeated at the discretion of the Course Designer. If it is not possible to place 12 obstacles in the arena, it is up to him to delete the obstacles he wishes.
4. The Athlete is credited with the number of points carried by each obstacle that he jumps correctly. No points are awarded for an obstacle that is knocked down.
5. A fixed time of 45 seconds (minimum) to 90 seconds (maximum) is allocated in this Competition. During this time, the Athlete may jump any of the obstacles he wishes in any order and in any direction. He may cross the starting line in either direction. (The starting line must be provided with four flags - there must be a red and a white flag at each end of the line.) During his round, the Athlete is permitted to cross the starting and finishing lines in either direction, as often as he wishes.
6. The bell is rung to declare the end of the fixed time during which points may be obtained. The Athlete must then cross the finishing line in one direction or the other in order for his time to be recorded; if he does not cross the finish line he is eliminated. The finishing line must be provided with four flags - there must be a red and a white flag at each end of the line.
7. If the fixed time is reached at the moment when the Horse is already taking off at an obstacle, this obstacle is included in the Athlete's Score if it is jumped correctly.
8. Any obstacle knocked down during a round will not be rebuilt; if it is jumped again, no points will be credited to the Athlete. The same applies for knocking down an obstacle as a result of a Disobedience or for displacing a lower part of an obstacle, which is positioned in the same vertical plane as the highest part. In the case of a Disobedience without a knock-down, the Athlete may jump that obstacle or continue to another obstacle.
9. Each obstacle may be jumped twice. The act, voluntarily or not, of jumping an obstacle for the third time or of passing between the flags of an obstacle already knocked down does not incur Elimination. However, the Athlete does not score the points allotted to this obstacle.
10. All Disobediences are penalised by the time lost by the Athlete. A fall of Horse or Athlete is penalised by Elimination (see JRs Art. 241.3.25).
11. The Athlete who has obtained the highest number of points will be declared the winner. In the event of equality of points, the fastest time taken between the start of the fixed time and the crossing of the finishing line after the bell has been rung will decide. In the event of equality of points and time for first place, there will be a jump-off according to the same formula with a fixed time of 40 seconds, provided that this is mentioned in the Schedule (see JRs Art. 245.6). If not mentioned, the Athletes with equal points and time will share the prize.
12. There are two options for using a Joker:

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- 12.1. An obstacle may be provided as part of the course, duly marked by flags and called "Joker". The Joker may be jumped twice; 200 points are awarded each time this obstacle is jumped correctly, but if it is knocked down, 200 points must be deducted from the total points obtained so far by the Athlete.
- 12.2. The Joker is not part of the main course. After the fixed time has expired, the bell is rung to end the Athlete's round. The Athlete must cross the finishing line to have his time recorded he then has 20 seconds in which to attempt the Joker. Only one attempt at the Joker is allowed. 200 points are awarded if this obstacle is jumped correctly, but if it is knocked down 200 points must be deducted from the total points obtained by the Athlete.

### **ARTICLE 271 TAKE-YOUR-OWN-LINE COMPETITION**

1. In this Competition the obstacles may be jumped only once in the order chosen by the Athlete. Any Athlete who does not jump all the obstacles is eliminated. Combination obstacles are not allowed.
2. Athletes may cross the starting line and finishing line in either direction. The lines must be provided with four flags; a red and a white flag at each end of these lines.  
Obstacles may be jumped in either direction, unless otherwise directed on the course plan.
3. This Competition takes place without a laid down speed, under Table C.
4. If the Athlete has not completed his course within 120 seconds after the time of his round has started, he will be eliminated.
5. All Disobediences are penalised by the time lost by the Athlete. For the penalty relating to falls, see Art. 241.3.25.
6. If there is a Refusal or Run-out with a knock-down or displacement of the obstacle, the Athlete may only restart his round when the obstacle knocked down or displaced has been replaced and when the Ground Jury gives him the signal to start.  
He may then jump the obstacle of his choice. In this case six seconds for time correction (see JRs Art. 232) will be added to the time of the round.

### **ARTICLE 272 KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION**

1. This Competition takes place by pairs of Athletes against each other. The Athletes must have qualified as a result of a separate Competition in the programme or of a preliminary qualifying round, either judged under Table A against the clock, or under Table C.
2. The two Athletes will compete against each other simultaneously over two identical courses. Combination obstacles are not allowed.  
If one Athlete enters the other Athlete's course and as a result interferes with that Athlete, the Athlete responsible for the interference will be eliminated.
3. The winners of each eliminating round are qualified to compete in groups of two in the next eliminating round and so on until the two finalists meet each other to decide the winner of the Competition.
4. In this Competition, each Athlete may only ride one Horse in the eliminating rounds, chosen from his Horses, which have qualified in the preliminary qualifying round or the qualifying Competition. If an Athlete finds that his opponent has withdrawn from any round, the Athlete remaining in the Competition gets the benefit of a walkover and will start in the next round.
5. If there are Athletes placed equal for the last place in the qualifying Competition or in the preliminary qualifying round, there must be a jump-off against the clock.
6. The eliminating rounds, in which two Athletes take part, are run without time if judged under Table A. Each Fault made of whatever nature (knock down, Refusal, run out) is penalized by one point. Notwithstanding the above, in the case of a Refusal with or without a knock-down the Athlete will continue his round without jumping that obstacle or waiting until it has been rebuilt. If the round is judged under table A the Athlete is penalized by one point. An Athlete passing an obstacle without attempting to jump it will be eliminated. If the Competition is run under table C, three seconds will be added to his time in this case.  
Any infringement of the provisions of JRs Art. 241 incurs Elimination from the Competition.
7. If the Competition is run under table C, each Fault is penalised by three seconds.
8. The Athlete who gets the least number of points and who in the event of equality of points has passed the finishing line first will be qualified for the next round and so on until the two finalists meet to decide the winner. Athletes defeated in the corresponding rounds are placed equal.
9. A member of the Ground Jury must be stationed at the starting line to give the starting signal and another at the finishing line to decide which Athlete crosses this line first.
10. If, at the end of the eliminating round, there is a dead heat between two Athletes, the round must be started again.
11. If the Competition is run under table C, there must be an independent time-keeping installation for each Athlete.
12. The starting order in the eliminating rounds will be decided according to the table printed in JRs Annex III (16 or eight - according to the conditions of the Schedule).

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## ARTICLE 273 COMPETITION OVER TWO ROUNDS

1. This Competition comprises, with the same speed, two courses, identical or different, either in track or in number of obstacles or in the dimensions of the obstacles. Each Athlete must participate with the same Horse. Athletes, who have been eliminated or who have retired during the first round, may not take part in the second round and may not be placed.
2. All the Athletes have to take part in the first round. The following go forward to the second round according to the conditions of the Schedule:
  - 2.1 either all Athletes; or
  - 2.2 a limited number of Athletes (at least 25% and in any case, even it is not mentioned in the Schedule, all clear rounds) in accordance with their placing in the first round (Penalties and time or Penalties only, according to the conditions of the Schedule).
3. The manner of judging this Competition must be specified in the Schedule in accordance with one of the following formulas:

First Round		Second Round		Jump-Off
<u>Table A</u>	<u>Table A</u>	<u>Starting order</u>		<u>Starting order</u>
3.1. Against the clock	Not against the clock	Reverse order of penalties and time in the 1 <sup>st</sup> round; Athletes retain their drawn order in case of equality of penalties and time		Same as 2 <sup>nd</sup> round
3.2. Not against the clock	Not against the clock	Reverse order of penalties in the 1 <sup>st</sup> round; Athletes retain their drawn order in case of equality of penalties		Same as 2 <sup>nd</sup> round
3.3.1 Against the clock	Against the clock	Reverse order of penalties and time in the 1 <sup>st</sup> round; Athletes retain their drawn order in case of equality of penalties and time		No jump-off
3.3.2 Not against the clock	Against the clock	Reverse order of penalties in the 1 <sup>st</sup> round; Athletes retain their drawn order in case of equality of penalties		No jump-off
3.4.1 Against the clock	Against the clock	Reverse order of penalties and time in the 1 <sup>st</sup> round; Athletes retain their drawn order in case of equality of penalties and time		Same as 2 <sup>nd</sup> round
3.4.2 Not against the clock	Against the clock	Reverse order of penalties in the 1 <sup>st</sup> round; Athletes retain their drawn order in case of equality of penalties		Same as 2 <sup>nd</sup> round

4. Placing
  - 4.1. Athletes will be placed according to the Penalties and time in the jump-off. The remaining Athletes will be placed according to aggregate Penalties over both rounds and the time incurred in the first round.
  - 4.2. Athletes will be placed according to the Penalties and time in the jump-off. The remaining Athletes will be placed according to aggregate Penalties over both rounds.
  - 4.3. Athletes will be placed according to aggregate Penalties over both rounds and the time incurred in the second round.
  - 4.4. Athletes will be placed according to the Penalties and time in the jump-off. The remaining Athletes will be placed according to aggregate Penalties over both rounds and the time incurred in the second round.
  - 4.5. Athletes will be placed according to the Penalties and time in the jump-off. The Athletes of the second round not taking part in the jump-off will be placed according to aggregate Penalties over both rounds and the time incurred in the second round; Athletes not taking part in the second round are placed according to their penalties and time in the first round.

## ARTICLE 274 COMPETITION IN TWO PHASES

1. This Competition comprises two phases run without interruption, each at an identical or different speed, the finishing line for the first phase being identical with the starting line for the second phase.
2. The first phase is a course of seven to nine obstacles with or without combinations. The second phase takes place over four to six obstacles, which may include one combination.
3. Athletes penalised in the first phase are halted by ringing the bell after they have jumped the last obstacle or when the time allowed for the first phase has been exceeded, after crossing the finishing line of the first phase. They must stop after crossing the first finishing line. Exception Art. 274.5.6: Unless eliminated, Athletes penalised in the first phase may continue in the second phase.
4. Athletes not penalised in the first phase continue the course, which finishes, after crossing the second finishing line.
5. The manner of judging this Competition must be specified in the Schedule in accordance with one of the following formulas:

First phase	Second phase	Placing
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5.1. Table A Not against the clock	Table A Not against the clock	According to the penalties in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Phase and, if necessary, to the penalties in the 1 <sup>st</sup> Phase.
5.2. Table A Not against the clock	Table A Against the clock	According to the penalties and time in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Phase and, if necessary, to the penalties in the 1 <sup>st</sup> Phase.
5.3. Table A Against the clock	Table A Against the clock	According to the penalties and time in the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Phase and, if necessary, to the penalties and time in the 1 <sup>st</sup> Phase.
5.4. Table A Not against the clock	Table C	According to the total time (Table C) of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Phase and, if necessary, to the penalties in the 1 <sup>st</sup> Phase.
5.5. Table A Against the clock	Table C	According to the total time (Table C) of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> Phase and, if necessary, to the penalties and time in the 1 <sup>st</sup> Phase.
5.6. Table A not against the clock  Minimum 5 obstacles Maximum 7 obstacles in first phase	Table A Against the clock  Remaining obstacles (Total of minimum 11 and maximum 13 obstacles in both phases)	According to the aggregate penalties in both phases (faults on obstacles and penalties for exceeding the time allowed in both phases) and, if necessary, according to the time of the 2 <sup>nd</sup> phase.

6. Athletes stopped after the first phase may only be placed after Athletes who have taken part in both phases.
7. In the event of equality for first place, the tied Athletes will be placed equal first.

### ARTICLE 275 COMPETITION IN GROUPS WITH WINNING ROUND

1. In this Competition the Athletes are divided into groups. They can either be divided by draw, according to the results of a qualifying Competition or according to a recent Jumping Rankings, to be specified in the Schedule.
2. The way, in which the Athletes are divided among the groups, and how the starting order within the groups is determined, must be specified in the Schedule.
3. First all Athletes in the first group start, then all Athletes in the second group and so on.
4. The best Athlete of each group qualifies for the winning round.
5. The OC may stipulate in the Schedule that a limited number of Athletes, who have not obtained the best result in their group, but who are the next best of all Athletes, also qualify for the winning round.
6. All Athletes in the winning round start with zero Penalties.
7. Athletes in the winning round will retain their starting order of the first round or, if so stipulated in the Schedule, they will start in reverse order of the results (Penalties and time) in the first round.
8. The first round and the winning round are judged under Table A against the clock.
9. This Competition may not be used for the Grand Prix or for the Competition with the highest prize money or as a qualifying Competition for another Competition.
10. All Athletes participating in the winning round must receive prize money.
11. If an Athlete qualified for the winning round does not start in this round, he will not be replaced.

### ARTICLE 276 COMPETITION WITH WINNING ROUND

1. Competition with two rounds and winning round
  - 1.1. In this Competition the best 16 Athletes of the first round qualify for the second round, in which they start in reverse order of the results (Penalties and time) of the first round.
  - 1.2. The best eight Athletes according to the total Penalties and time of both rounds or of the second round only, participate in the winning round.
  - 1.3. The course of the second round may be different from that of the first round.
  - 1.4. The course of the winning round must be a shortened course over obstacles of the first and/or second round.

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- 1.5. The starting order in the winning round is in reverse order of total Penalties and time over both rounds or of the second round only, according to the conditions of the Schedule.
- 1.6. In the winning round all Athletes start with zero Penalties.
- 1.7. All three rounds are judged under Table A against the clock. For exceeding the time allowed in the winning round Athletes are penalised with one Penalty point for every four seconds commenced.
- 1.8. This Competition may not be used for the Grand Prix or for the Competition with the highest prize money or as a qualifying Competition for another Competition.
- 1.9. If an Athlete qualified for the winning round does not start in this round, he will not be replaced.
2. Competition with one round and winning round (winning round: Athletes start with zero Penalties)
  - 2.1. In this Competition the best ten Athletes (at least 25% and in any case all clear rounds) of the first round qualify for the winning round, in which they start in reverse order of the results (Penalties and time) of the first round.
  - 2.2. In the winning round all Athletes start with zero Penalties
  - 2.3. Both rounds are judged under Table A against the clock. For exceeding the time allowed in the winning round Athletes are penalised with one Penalty point for every four seconds commenced.
  - 2.4. This Competition may not be used for the Grand Prix or for the Competition with the highest prize money or as a qualifying Competition for another Competition.
- 2.5. If an Athlete qualified for the winning round does not start in this round, he will not be replaced.

### **ARTICLE 277 DERBY**

1. A Derby Competition takes place over a distance of at least 1000 m and not more than 1300 m over a course comprising at least 50% of the efforts over natural obstacles and must be run in one round only and with one jump-off if so stipulated in the Schedule.
2. It may be judged under Table A or Table C. If judged under table C there is no time allowed just a time limit. The time limit may be increased at the discretion of the Ground Jury if the length of the course exceeds the requirements for establishing the time limit as set forth in JRs Art. 239.3.
3. Even if this Competition carries the best prize money of the show, each Athlete is allowed to ride a maximum of three Horses according to the conditions of the Schedule.

### **ARTICLE 278 COMPETITION OVER COMBINATIONS**

1. The course must consist of six obstacles; a single obstacle as first obstacle and five combinations. At least one obstacle must be a treble combination.
2. The Competition may be judged under Table A or Table C.
3. If there is a jump-off, according to the conditions of the Schedule, the jump-off course must comprise six obstacles. It must include a double, a treble and four single obstacles, or three doubles and three singles. To achieve this, some elements of the combination obstacles for the first round must be removed.
4. The provisions of JRs Art. 204.5 do not apply to this Competition. However, the length of the course may not exceed 600 m.

### **ARTICLE 279 EVENTS AND COMPETITIONS WITH BORROWED HORSES**

International Events or Competitions may be organised with Horses borrowed by the host NF with the approval of the FEI Secretary General .

In such cases, the following conditions apply:

1. The OC will make available the necessary number of Horses (maximum three -3- per Athlete).
2. At least 24 hours before the start of the first Competition a fair draw of the borrowed Horses for each team or individual Athletes has to take place. Unless otherwise stated in the Schedule and approved by the FEI Secretary General the Horses for the host NF will be drawn first.
3. The draw must take place in front of the Chefs d'Equipe or a representative of each team, the Athletes, the President or a Member of the Ground Jury and the President of the Veterinary Commission or the Veterinary Delegate. The Horses must be present and properly identified and must wear the bridle normally used. This same bridle must be used throughout the whole Event unless the permission to change is given by the owner.
4. The OC should provide a reasonable number of reserve Horses to be used in case any Horse is found incapacitated by the Veterinary Delegate or in case of apparent complete incompatibility between one of the Athletes and his Horse, as stated by the Ground Jury.

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5. The Schedule must establish clearly the conditions under which the Horses are borrowed and drawn and the Competitions are run. If alterations to the conditions under paragraphs 1 to 4 are foreseen, they have to be approved by the FEI Secretary General .
6. FEI passports shall not be required, provided that only national Horses take part, which can be positively identified with a document accepted by the FEI.



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### **CHAPTER XIII VETERINARY INSPECTIONS AND EXAMINATIONS, MEDICATION CONTROL AND PASSPORTS OF HORSES**

#### **ARTICLE 280 VETERINARY EXAMINATIONS, HORSE INSPECTIONS AND PASSPORT CONTROL**

The Horse Inspections, Veterinary Examinations and Passport Control must be conducted in accordance with the VRs Art. 1027, 1029 and 1030 and as set forth below.

1. Examination on arrival and Passport Control

The Examination and Passport Control must be conducted in accordance with VRs Art. 1029 and 1031.

For any significant passport irregularities see VRs Art. 1030.

NB: When verifying the details in the passport, the age of the Horse must be checked, if the Event or any Competition is limited to Horses of a specific age.

2. Horse Inspection

2.1 This must be carried out not later than the afternoon of the day preceding the first Competition. Chefs d'Equipe and/or Persons Responsible should arrange a specific time for their Horses to be inspected within the time specified in the programme. This should be available and ready at the Secretary's Office at least two days before the first Competition, to avoid unnecessary delay for all concerned.

2.1.1 Where circumstances warrant, the Ground Jury, in consultation with the Veterinary Delegate, may at its discretion allow another Horse Inspection to be held at a later time for Horses that could not be present at the first Horse Inspection due to exceptional, unforeseen circumstances.

2.2 At FEI World Cup™ Finals, World, Senior Continental Championships and Olympic Games, a second Horse Inspection will be scheduled prior to the start of the final Competition.

2.3. Each Horse must be presented in either a snaffle or double bridle. Any other harness or equipment, i.e. rugs, bandages, etc. must be removed. No exception to this can be allowed.

2.4. No Horse may be presented with its identity concealed in any manner by the application of paint or dye.

2.5 Chefs d'Equipe must be present with their team Horses in addition to their grooms and/or their Athletes.

2.6 Persons Responsible (Athletes) must be present with individual Horses, in addition to their grooms.

2.7 At FEI World Cup™ Finals, Championships and Games, Athletes must present their own Horse(s) at the Horse inspection. The President of the Ground Jury may relax this rule for an Athlete if requested to do so by the Chef d'Equipe or the Athlete.

2.8 It is emphasised that this is not a detailed veterinary examination (see also VRs Art. 1031) and it should be completed as quickly as possible.

3. Ground Jury, Appeal Committee and Veterinary Commission Liaison

3.1. Selection of Horses to be Sampled for Medication Control (see VRs Art. 1057)

3.2 At FEI World Cup™ Finals, World, Senior Continental Championships and Olympic Games, sufficient Horses must normally be sampled to ensure that the following samples are available for analysis:

3.2.1 in all Final Competitions for Individuals, the first three placed Horses;

3.2.2 in Final Jumping Competitions for Teams, one Horse from among all the Horses in each of the first three placed teams;

#### **ARTICLE 281 MEDICATION CONTROL OF HORSES**

The Medication Control of Horses must be conducted in accordance with the GRs and the VRs, the Equine Anti-Doping and Controlled Medication Regulations and any other applicable FEI Rules or Regulations.

#### **ARTICLE 282 PASSPORTS AND IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS OF HORSES**

1. Passport requirements for Horses (see GRs Art. 137 and VRs Art. 1027).

2. Each Horse keeps the same identification number provided by the OC on arrival, throughout the Event.

It is compulsory that the Horse always wears this number whenever it leaves the stables, so that it may be identified by all officials including the Stewards. Failure to display this identification number clearly will first incur a warning and, in the case of repeated offences, a fine imposed on the Athlete by the Ground Jury or the Appeal Committee (see JRs Art. 240.2.8).

**ANNEX I FEI BADGES OF HONOUR**

1. FEI Badges of Honour for Jumping will be awarded to those Athletes who have completed the first round of a Nations Cup Competition, the team and/or individual Competition at the Olympic Games and the World and Senior Continental team and/or individual Championships for Seniors, without retiring or being eliminated on the following scale:
  - (i) A Gold Badge for completing 40 Nations Cup Competitions.
  - (ii) A Silver Badge for completing 20 Nations Cup Competitions.
  - (iii) A Bronze Badge for completing 10 Nations Cup Competitions.
2. All count as five Nations Cup Competitions:
  - (i) the team and/or individual Competition at the Olympic Games.
  - (ii) the team and/or individual World Championship.
  - (iii) the team and/or individual Continental Championship.
  - (iv) the team and/or individual Competition at the Pan-American Games
  - (v) the team and/or individual Competition at the Asian Games

**ANNEX II CALCULATION OF TIME ALLOWED****Speed : 300m/minute**

Tens	m	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
Units											
Hundreds	<b>1</b>	20"	22"	24"	26"	28"	30"	32"	34"	36"	38"
	<b>2</b>	40"	42"	44"	46"	48"	50"	52"	54"	56"	58"
	<b>3</b>	60"	62"	64"	66"	68"	70"	72"	74"	76"	78"
	<b>4</b>	80"	82"	84"	86"	88"	90"	92"	94"	96"	98"
	<b>5</b>	100"	102"	104"	106"	108"	110"	112"	114"	116"	118"
	<b>6</b>	120"	122"	124"	126"	128"	130"	132"	134"	136"	138"
	<b>7</b>	140"	142"	144"	146"	148"	150"	152"	154"	156"	158"
	<b>8</b>	160"	162"	164"	166"	168"	170"	172"	174"	176"	178"
	<b>9</b>	180"	182"	184"	186"	188"	190"	192"	194"	196"	198"

**Speed : 325m/minute**

Tens	m	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
Units											
Hundreds	<b>1</b>	19"	21"	23"	24"	26"	28"	30"	32"	34"	36"
	<b>2</b>	37"	39"	41"	43"	45"	47"	48"	50"	52"	54"
	<b>3</b>	56"	58"	60"	61"	63"	65"	67"	69"	71"	72"
	<b>4</b>	74"	76"	78"	80"	82"	84"	85"	87"	89"	91"
	<b>5</b>	93"	95"	96"	98"	100"	102"	104"	106"	108"	109"
	<b>6</b>	111"	113"	115"	117"	119"	120"	122"	124"	126"	128"
	<b>7</b>	130"	132"	133"	135"	137"	139"	141"	143"	144"	146"
	<b>8</b>	148"	150"	152"	154"	156"	157"	159"	161"	163"	165"
	<b>9</b>	167"	168"	170"	172"	174"	176"	178"	180"	181"	183"

**Speed : 350 m/minute**

Tens	m	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90
Units											
Hundreds	<b>1</b>	18"	19"	21"	23"	24"	26"	28"	30"	31"	33"
	<b>2</b>	35"	36"	38"	40"	42"	43"	45"	47"	48"	50"
	<b>3</b>	52"	54"	55"	57"	59"	60"	62"	64"	66"	67"
	<b>4</b>	69"	71"	72"	74"	76"	78"	79"	81"	83"	84"

<b>5</b>	86"	88"	90"	91"	93"	95"	96"	98"	100"	102"
<b>6</b>	103"	105"	107"	108"	110"	112"	114"	115"	117"	119"
<b>7</b>	120"	122"	124"	126"	127"	129"	131"	132"	134"	136"
<b>8</b>	138"	139"	141"	143"	144"	146"	148"	150"	151"	153"
<b>9</b>	155"	156"	158"	160"	162"	163"	165"	167"	168"	170"

**Speed : 375 m/minute**

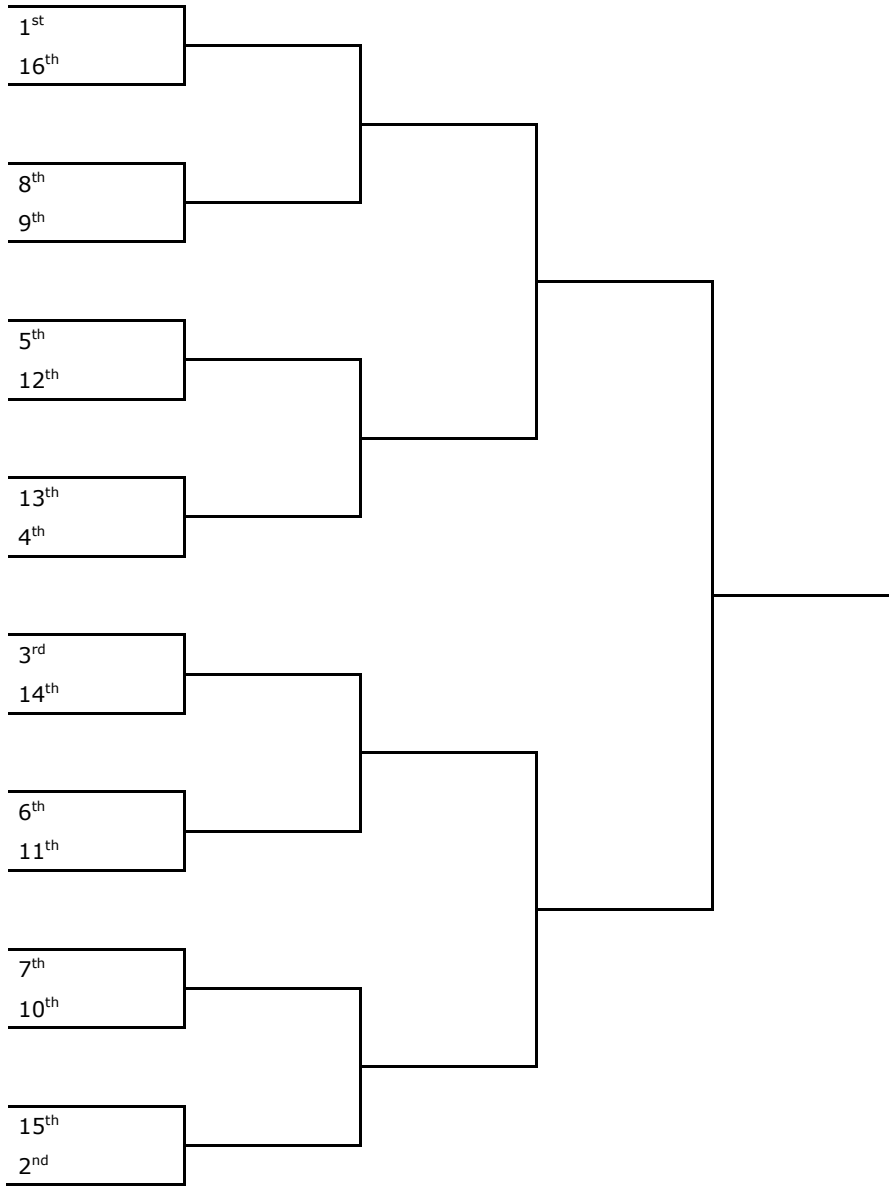
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Units											
Hundreds	<b>1</b>	16"	18"	20"	21"	23"	24"	26"	28"	29"	31"
	<b>2</b>	32"	34"	36"	37"	39"	40"	42"	44"	45"	47"
	<b>3</b>	48"	50"	52"	53"	55"	56"	58"	60"	61"	63"
	<b>4</b>	64"	66"	68"	69"	71"	72"	74"	76"	77"	79"
	<b>5</b>	80"	82"	84"	85"	87"	88"	90"	92"	93"	95"
	<b>6</b>	96"	98"	100"	101"	103"	104"	106"	108"	109"	111"
	<b>7</b>	112"	114"	116"	117"	119"	120"	122"	124"	125"	127"
	<b>8</b>	128"	130"	132"	133"	135"	136"	138"	140"	141"	143"
	<b>9</b>	144"	146"	148"	149"	151"	152"	154"	156"	157"	159"

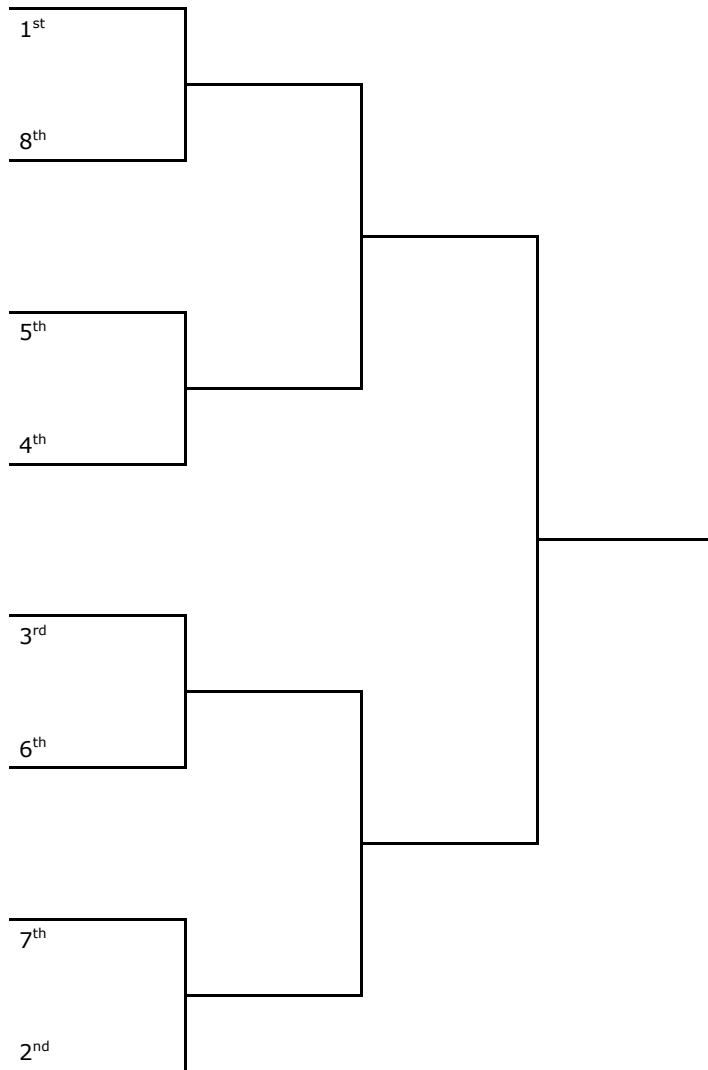
**Speed : 400 m/minute**

Tens	<b>m</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>90</b>
Units											
Hundreds	<b>1</b>	15"	17"	18"	20"	21"	23"	24"	26"	27"	29"
	<b>2</b>	30"	32"	33"	35"	36"	38"	39"	41"	42"	44"
	<b>3</b>	45"	47"	48"	50"	51"	53"	54"	56"	57"	59"
	<b>4</b>	60"	62"	63"	65"	66"	68"	69"	71"	72"	74"
	<b>5</b>	75"	77"	78"	80"	81"	83"	84"	86"	87"	89"
	<b>6</b>	90"	92"	93"	95"	96"	98"	99"	101"	102"	104"
	<b>7</b>	105"	107"	108"	110"	111"	113"	114"	116"	117"	119"
	<b>8</b>	120"	122"	123"	125"	126"	128"	129"	131"	132"	134"
	<b>9</b>	135"	137"	138"	140"	141"	143"	144"	146"	147"	149"

**ANNEX III KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION (JRS ART. 272)**

Order of starting in the qualifying rounds (in accordance with the qualification course)





## ANNEX IV REQUIREMENTS FOR TIMING EQUIPMENT AND SCOREBOARDS

### 1. REQUIREMENTS FOR DISPLAY IN JUDGE'S BOX AND ON SCOREBOARDS

#### 1.1. Must be visible in the Judge's box

- The 45-second countdown (if it reaches zero, the running time starts)
- The elapsed time (difference between the competitor's start time and finish time)
- The time allowed
- Time penalties for exceeding the time allowed
- Time correction (6 seconds for obstacle demolished following a Refusal). The 6 second time correction is to be added immediately to the time when the clock is restarted and the rider resumes his round
- Faults incurred on obstacles (Table A)
- Faults converted into seconds and added immediately to the elapsed time (Table C)
- The total time

#### 1.2. The following minimum data must be displayed on the scoreboard

##### 1.2.1. For CSI1\*, CSI2\*, CSIO1\*, CSIO2\* & CSIO 3\*, CSI-Am/V/Y/J/P/Ch

- Alphanumeric display with minimum 9 digits
- 45-seconds countdown
- Elapsed time
- Faults
- Running number of horse

##### 1.2.2. For CSI3\* & CSIOV/Y/J/P/Ch

All of the above, plus:

- Alphanumeric display with minimum 20 digits
- Name of horse
- Name of rider
- Nationality

##### 1.2.3. For CSI4\* and CSI5\*

All of the above, plus:

- Current ranking
- Score and time to beat
- Possibility to display the current top five placings

##### 1.2.4. For CSIO4\*/CSIO5\*/Games/Championships

All of the above, plus:

- Specific requirements for Nations Cup
- Names and scores of entire teams
- Clear indication of which score is to be dropped for 1st and 2nd rounds
- When a rider enters the ring, the results of the other team members are to be displayed. It is optional to display the result of each team

When a two round competition:

- Round 2: Display of Penalties incurred in the 1st round
- Round 2: Time 1st round if this is the time for placing
- Round 2: Total time (time 1st and 2nd round) if this is the time for placing
- Round 2: Total penalties from both rounds

#### 1.3. Type of System Authorised

- The connection of the timer to the photocells can be wireless. The timer is connected to the downstream processing system by wire
- For Games and Championships and other events it is optional to have photocells be connected by wire to a synchronised time-of-day timer
- For CSI 4\* and CSIO 4\* events and of a higher category a split-timing system is obligatory

### 2. TIMING AT FEI JUMPING EVENTS

For all Jumping events in the FEI Calendar, electronic timers, photocells and wireless transmission systems homologated by the FEI must be used. A list of these approved devices is published on the FEI website. Events using timing equipment other than those on the homologated FEI list will not be considered for FEI evaluation unless an exception has been authorised by the FEI Jumping Director (see JRs Art. 229.1). Specifications and procedures for timing are more fully described in the Memorandum for International Jumping Events, published on the FEI website.

#### 2.1. Timing at FEI Jumping Events

##### 2.1.1. Timing at the sensors

With electronic timing, the time is taken when a horse crosses the start or finish line and triggers the beam between the photocells. Time has to be taken on the breast of the horse. If the rider pushes the horse's head first there will be no correction. With hand timing the time will be taken as above. The height of the sensors must be identical at the start and finish lines.

If a time base is used in conjunction with the photocell, either integrated or separate, then it must be set in time of day and be synchronised with the main timer before the start of each competition. Synchronisation to time of day must take place within 60 minutes before the start of the event and must be maintained throughout the event.

#### 2.1.2. Hand Timing

Manual (hand) timing, completely separate and independent of the electronic timing, must be used for all competitions listed in the FEI Calendar. Stopwatches or hand operated battery powered timers that are installed at both the start and the finish and capable of expressing times to at least 1/100th (0.01) precision qualify as proper hand timing devices. Printed records, either automatic or hand-written, of recorded hand times must be immediately available at the start and at the finish. Elapsed time on course is derived from the mathematical comparison of start and finish times. The times taken by hand timing may be used in the official results after a correction has been calculated.

#### 2.1.3. Calculation of the hand timing correction

Calculate the difference between the times taken by hand and the electronic times of the 5 competitors starting before the missing time and the 5 starting after or if necessary the 10 nearest competitors. The sum of the 10 time difference is divided by 10 to give the correction which must be applied to the hand time of the competitor without an electronic time.

#### 2.1.4. Time corrections within the timer

When the official printing timer allows manual input or correction of a competitor's time, some type of indication (star, asterisk or other) concerning any effected change must be printed on all relevant timing documentation to indicate that manual intervention has been applied.

#### 2.1.5. Print-out of time

The official timing strips from the printer will be given to the Foreign Judge for review. They will be kept by the Event Organiser until the official approval of the event or resolution of any appeal dealing with timing or event results. At events where a complete back-up system is required this also applies.

The Foreign Judge must indicate by his signature on the results form and in his report to the FEI his approval of the event. All printed records from system A, system B and hand timing must be retained by the OC for a period of three months after the event or until resolution of any appeal dealing with timing or event results.

#### 2.1.6. Presentation of times

Organisers shall provide appropriate facilities for continuous presentation of all registered times of all competitors.

### 2.2. Timing at Olympic Games and World Championships

#### 2.2.1. Electronic Timing

For Olympic Games, and World Championships, two synchronised electronically isolated timing systems with printers, directly connected to the start and finish photocells and operating in time-of-day must be used. One system will be designated system A (main system), the other system B (back-up system) prior to the beginning of the event. The photocells for the respective systems at the start and finish must be arrayed identically and be placed as close together as physically possible, and in any case no more than 0,5 m apart.

All time of day times must be immediately and automatically sequentially recorded on printed strips to at least the 1/1,000th (0.001) precision on dedicated directly attached or integrated printers. Both systems must furnish time data to allow for the calculation of elapsed times by the mathematical comparison of each competitor's start time to finish time. The recorded times are truncated to 1/100th second after calculation of the run time. The final result for each rider's round is expressed to 1/100th (0.01) precision.

All times used for the final result must be from system A. If there is a failure of the main electronic timing system (system A), a calculated elapsed time from system B must be used following the same procedure as set out above. It is not permitted to substitute time-of-day times from system B for use with system A for the purpose of elapsed time calculations. In the case that calculated elapsed times from either system A or system B are not available for a competitor, the calculated net manual time as per Art. 2.1.3 will be considered valid.

For all events, system A must be connected to its respective A photocell contact. System B must be separately connected to another electronically isolated B photocell contact.

See the Memorandum for International Jumping Events published on the FEI website for diagrams and start and finish line installations.

Synchronisation of the timing systems must occur within 60 minutes prior to the commencement of each event and synchronisation of all systems must be maintained every day throughout each event. Timers may not be resynchronised during any competition but may be resynchronised between competitions.

For all other Games and Championships the same systems approach is highly recommended.

#### 2.2.2. Photocells

For Olympic Games and World Championships there must be two photocell systems homologated by the FEI, installed at the start and finish line. At each location, one is connected to system A. The other is connected to system B.

#### 2.2.3. Hand Timing

Refer to Art. 2.1.2. The stopwatches or battery powered hand timing devices used must be synchronised prior to the start of each event, preferably with the same time-of-day as system A and system B.

### 2.3. Timing without cable for all FEI events



The FEI recognises the importance of wireless impulse transmission systems in the arenas of FEI Jumping events and encourages their use to facilitate the ease of set-up and functionality of modern jumping. It should be noted however that any wireless system is more prone to failure than a hardwired connection from the timer to the photocells.

## ANNEX V CSI INVITATION RULES

### Invitation Rules for CSI3\*/CSI4\* Events in Europe

The list of the Longines Rankings established **two** months prior to the event is to be used for the selection of riders. The Organising Committee must print in the schedule the number of the list which applies for the invitation of athletes, as well as the total number of athletes to be invited.

#### Section 1 Athletes at top of the list of the Longines Rankings

The top 25 athletes (for CSI4\*) / the top 15 athletes (for CSI3\*) on the list of the Longines Rankings must be invited; substitutions for the top 25 (for CSI4\*) or top 15 (CSI3\*) athletes must be made in descending order of the Longines Rankings. The maximum number of athletes from any foreign NF in this section must be limited to five.

#### Section 2 Home Athletes

The number of home athletes who accept the invitation under **Section 1** will determine the number of remaining home athletes to be invited. The number of home athletes must neither exceed 50% nor be less than 35% of the total number of athletes invited. The NF/OC decides on the exact percentage for this section, which must be printed in the schedule. If the home nation does not fill its quota, the remaining places are filled in accordance with the conditions established for invitation of athletes in section 3.

Depending on the number of home athletes competing internationally, the number of home athletes may be increased to 60% of the total number of athletes at the event. This may only be done upon receipt of a request from the NF concerned and may or may not be granted at the discretion of the Director of the FEI Jumping Department.

#### Section 3 Foreign Athletes

3.1 The number of foreign athletes who accept the invitation under **Section 1** will determine the number of remaining foreign athletes to be invited. 50% of the remaining foreign athletes must be selected in descending order of the list of Longines Rankings to the 300<sup>th</sup> position for CSI-4\* or to the 600<sup>th</sup> position for CSI3\* and 50% may be selected from any position on the list, or may be unranked.

3.2 At least 7 foreign NFs must be represented (This includes NFs represented by athletes in **Section 1**).

3.3 If a NF is invited to send athletes but decides not to participate, the Organising Committee selects another NF in accordance with the conditions established for invitation of athletes under section 3.1.

#### Section 4 OC Wildcards

The OC is free to invite 15% for CSI4\*) or 20% for CSI-3\* of the total number of athletes as wildcards. These athletes must be selected from the top 600 on the list of the Longines Rankings. These invitations (for foreign and/or home athletes) should be under the same conditions as for other participants and must in no way be directly or indirectly connected with a financial contribution for participation at any international Jumping event. At the same time, it is also unacceptable for riders to ask for an appearance fee.

#### Section 5 FEI Invitations for foreign athletes or home athletes domiciled outside the home country

The FEI has the right to nominate two athletes by the deadline date established for nominated entries. The maximum number of times an athlete can be nominated during the same season for this group is three. Vacant places under this section are filled in accordance with the conditions established for invitation of athletes in section 4.

OCs of CSI3\*/CSI4\* events that are part of "Tours" (multiple events held on consecutive weekends at the same venue) must respect the Invitation Rules for their category; however, if due to lack of space not all entries can be accepted, OCs may state in the Schedule that preference will be given to athletes who enter the entire Tour.

### SUMMARY OF INVITATION SYSTEM FOR CSI-3\* & CSI-4\* EVENTS IN EUROPE

<b>To be printed in Schedule: total number of invited athletes, the percentage of home athletes to be invited (min. 35% - max. 50%) and the number of the list of the Longines Rankings which applies.</b>		
(list established 2 months prior to event)	<b>CSI-4*</b>	<b>CSI-3*</b>
<b>1) Invite athletes at top of the Longines Rankings up to N°</b> (max. 5 athletes per foreign NF) <i>The number of home/foreign athletes who accept this invitation will determine the number of remaining home/foreign athletes to be invited in Sections 2 &amp; 3.</i>	<b>25</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>2) Remaining home athletes:</b>	open to ranked or unranked athletes	
<b>3) Remaining foreign athletes to be invited in descending order after invitations under Section 1:</b> (min. 7 foreign NFs in Sections 1 & 3)	50% within top 300; 50% open (ranked or unranked athletes)	50% within top 600; 50% open (ranked or unranked athletes)
<b>4) O.C. Wildcards maximum</b>	<b>15%</b> within top 600	<b>20%</b> within top 600
<b>5) FEI Invitations</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>

The following fines will be imposed on Organising Committees not respecting the above procedure: 1<sup>st</sup> offence CHF 20'000.-; 2<sup>nd</sup> offence CHF 40'000.- ; at the 3<sup>rd</sup> offence, the event will not be permitted to take place. These fines will be payable directly by the Organising Committees concerned to the FEI.

**Invitation Rules for CSI5\* Events (Worldwide)****Section 1 Compulsory Invitations**

- 1.1 70% of the total number of athletes invited must be from the top 150 on the FEI World Ranking list established by the FEI two months prior to the event. The following conditions must be respected. Consequently this percentage may need to be reduced.
  - 1.1.1 Athletes are invited in descending order from the first athlete on the FEI World Ranking list.
  - 1.1.2 At least ten foreign NFs must be invited with at least two athletes per NF.
  - 1.1.3 If a NF has only one athlete in the above percentage, the NF in question has the right to enter a second athlete providing that he is within the top 150 on this list.
  - 1.1.4 Organising Committees may limit the number of athletes from a single foreign NF to five. However, they are free to accept more than five athletes from the same NF providing they are within the above percentage and providing the other NFs invited have entered a second athlete.
  - 1.1.5 If the Organising Committee cannot fill its quota from the top 150 on the FEI World Ranking list, vacant places will be filled by inviting athletes from 150<sup>th</sup> place on the FEI World Ranking list in descending order.
  - 1.1.6 The total number of athletes to be invited to the event, as well as the date of the FEI World Ranking list which applies for invitation of athletes must be printed in the Schedule.
- 1.2 If an NF is invited to send participants but decides not to participate, another NF is selected by the Organising Committee in accordance with the conditions established for invitation of athletes in section 1.1.2

**Section 2 OC Invitations**

Maximum 30% of the total number of athletes invited can be invited as wild cards by the Organising Committee through their NFs (these may consist of foreign and/or home athletes). These athletes can be taken from any position on the FEI World Ranking list.

These invitations (foreign and/or home athletes) should be under the same conditions as for other participants and cannot be granted in return for a financial contribution.

At the same time, it is also unacceptable for athletes to ask for an appearance fee.

**Section 3 FEI Invitations for Foreign athletes or home athletes domiciled outside the home country**

The FEI has the right to nominate one athlete for CSI5\* events by the deadline date established for nominated entries. The level of the nominated athlete must be of the required standard for a CSI5\* event. The maximum number of times an athlete can be nominated during the same season for this section is three. Vacant places under this section are filled in accordance with the conditions established for invitation of athletes in section 2.

OCs of CSI5\* events that are part of "Tours" (multiple events run on consecutive weekends at the same venue) must respect the Invitation Rules for CSI5\* events; however, if due to lack of space not all entries can be accepted, OCs may state in the Schedule that preference will be given to athletes who enter the entire Tour.

**National events**

OCs that wish to organize a National event must comply with the FEI rules for National events. These include the restrictions on the number of foreign athletes and the number of NFs represented by athletes.

**Sanctions and consequences**

If prior to a CSI-5\* event it is known that the event will not follow the FEI technical conditions and the FEI Rules for invitation of athletes, the event may be removed from the FEI calendar at the discretion of the FEI.

If sufficient proof can be established after the event that the FEI technical conditions and the FEI Rules for invitation of athletes have not been respected FEI World Ranking points may be withdrawn at the discretion of the FEI and CSI status may be refused for the following season.

If the event is an FEI World Cup™ event it may lose its status for the coming season if the conditions for invitations laid down in the FEI World Cup™ Jumping Rules are not respected. For FEI World Cup™ events it is forbidden to accept invitations in return for payment of any kind.

If the event is organized outside the jurisdiction of the FEI, participating athletes will not be allowed to participate at other FEI Events.

**ANNEX VI CSI REQUIREMENTS FOR EUROPE AND NORTH AMERICA - (CSIO REQUIREMENTS (WORLDWIDE))**

<b>CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS FOR EUROPE (CSIO REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE)</b>					
<b>Requirements</b>	<b>Amateur Owner (worldwide)</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 1* + 2*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 3*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 4*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 5*</b>
Prize Money (CHF) (worldwide) For amounts in other currencies see the prize money currency chart published on the Organisers page of the FEI website.	No restrictions	1*: Max CHF 49'999 2*: CHF 50'000 – 149'999	CHF 150'000 – 249'999	CHF 250'000 – 499'999	CHF 500'000 and up
		Prize money cannot be cumulated from multiple Events at same venue on same date to establish star level. Events at same venue over several weekends are considered separate CSIs. For these Events, the star level of the Event will be determined by the combined prize money of maximum 12 Competitions per Event, instead of the overall prize money per Event. CSI-5* maximum duration 5 days. For CSIYH Events, the following applies with regard to calculation of prize money to determine star level: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For stand-alone Events (e.g. CSI5* or CSIO3*) where only Athletes entered for the CSI or CSIO may participate in the YH Competitions, the prize money for the CSIYH is included in the overall amount to establish the star level of the Event;</li> <li>For stand-alone Events (e.g. CSI5* or CSIO3*) where additional Athletes are invited to participate in the YH Competitions, the prize money for the CSIYH is not included in the overall amount to establish the star level of the Event;</li> <li>For multiple Events held concurrently at the same venue, (e.g. CSI2*/CSIYJ-A/CSIAm-A/CSI5*) the prize money for the CSIYH does not count in the overall amount to determine the star level for any one of the Events.</li> </ul>			
Prize Money Distribution	The announced prize money for each Competition must be distributed among the first 12 placed Athletes, regardless of the number of starters, according to one of the two charts attached as Annex II. The OC must state in the Schedule which of these two charts will be used. Additional created prizes for the 13 <sup>th</sup> placed to the last placed Athlete, to fulfil the quota of one prize per four starters, must be provided by the OC and the amount of each of these prizes must be stated in the Schedule. The additional prize money does not alter the star level of the Event or the Longines Rankings group of the Competition concerned.				
Combined CSIs / CSIOs (worldwide)	n/a	CSIs: Each level is considered a separate CSI. Horses entered in one CSI star level may not change to another CSI star level during the same Event. A CSI-1* or a CSI-2* may be held together with a CSIO. OCs organising such Events must have 2 arenas; one for the CSI and one for the CSIO. The CSIO horses may not take part in the CSI.			
Max. height of Obstacles (worldwide)	Cat. A: 1.40m Cat. B: 1.25m	CSI1*: 1.40m CSI2*: 1.45m; Upon request FEI may grant dispensation to height restrictions.	According to rules	According to rules	According to rules
FEI Horse passport (worldwide)	Required for Cat. A	Not required for home horses	Required	Required	Required
Maximum entry fee per horse* <b>VAT included</b>	€ 1500.-	CSI € 350 CSIO € 500	CSI € 410 CSIO € 500	CSI € 410 CSIO € 500	CSI-5* No entry fee CSI-5*W: (WEL) € 410.- CSIO € 500

<b>CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS FOR EUROPE (CSIO REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE)</b>					
<b>Requirements</b>	<b>Amateur Owner (worldwide)</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 1* + 2*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 3*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 4*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 5*</b>
No starting fee No nomination fee	Applies to all categories				
Bedding – <u>Straw</u>	1 <sup>st</sup> bedding free	CSI: 1 <sup>st</sup> bedding free CSIO: All bedding free	CSI: 1 <sup>st</sup> bedding free CSIO: All bedding free	CSI: 1 <sup>st</sup> bedding free CSIO: All bedding free	CSI: All bedding free CSIO: All bedding free
Maximum manure disposal fee	€ 40.- per horse	€ 40.- per horse	€ 40.- per horse	€ 40.- per horse	€ 40.- per horse
		For Events at same venue over consecutive weekends ("Tours") max. € 40 per horse may be charged for the first Event of the Tour and max. € 20 per horse may be charged for each subsequent Event.			
Max. N° of starters per competition	<p>Maximum 100 starters per Competition other than the GP (see below). If more than 100 starters are declared, the OC must split the class and provide the equivalent amount of prize money for the additional Competition. OCs may apply either of the following methods for splitting the Competition:</p> <p>The competition is split into two groups before it starts. There may be a different number of starters in each group. There may be athletes with multiple horses in each group but all horses of any one athlete must be in the same group.</p> <p>or</p> <p>The competition is run as one single competition and split afterward into two groups and the classification established as follows: the athlete with the best score is the winner of the first group, the athlete with the second best score is the winner of the second group and so on until prizes have been allocated to 25% of the total number of starters. <i>NB: In this case separate results must be sent to the FEI for each of the two groups, e.g. results for Competition 1a and for Competition 1b.</i></p> <p>In both cases above each group must offer the same amount of prize money as indicated for the original Competition. For the avoidance of doubt, it is the number of declared starters in the Competition, not the final number of starters, that determines whether the Competition must be split.</p>				
Max. N° of starters in Grand Prix	100	CSI + CSIO: 100	CSI + CSIO: 60	CSI + CSIO: 50	CSI + CSIO: 50
Min N° of competitions counting for Longines Rankings points (CSIOs <u>worldwide</u> )	n/a	CSI1*: 0 CSIO1*: min. 1 CSI2*/CSIO2*: min. 1	CSI/CSIO: min. 2	CSI/CSIO: min. 3	CSI/CSIO: min. 4
Meals for Grooms	At own expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: All meals at OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: All meals at OC expense	CSI: At OC expense (b/fast + 1 meal) CSIO: All meals at OC expense	CSI: At OC expense (b/fast + 1 meal) CSIO: All meals at OC expense
Meals for Athletes	At own expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: All meals at OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: All meals at OC expense	CSI: At OC expense (b/fast + 1 meal) CSIO: All meals at OC expense	CSI: At OC expense (b/fast + 1 meal) CSIO: All meals at OC expense

<b>CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS FOR EUROPE (CSIO REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE)</b>					
<b>Requirements</b>	<b>Amateur Owner (worldwide)</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 1* + 2*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 3*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 4*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 5*</b>
Accommodation for Athletes	At own expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At OC expense for Grand Prix athletes; Hotel min. 3* standard for athletes in GP CSIO: At OC expense Hotel min. 3* standard	CSI + CSIO: At OC expense; Hotel minimum 3* standard for all athletes
Footing ( <u>worldwide</u> )	According to minimum standard				
Stabling ( <u>worldwide</u> )	According to minimum standard Boxes minimum 3m x 3m (min. 9m <sup>2</sup> ) + 20% boxes min. 12m <sup>2</sup> for larger horses				
Border crossing expenses	CSI n/a CSIO According to FEI General Regulations & Jumping Rules				

**NB for new CSI5\* Events (worldwide):** OCs without proven experience at organising FEI high level Events must first successfully organise a CSI4\* at the same venue before permission to host a CSI5\* will be granted. Prize money for the new CSI5\* must be secured by a deadline established by the FEI prior to the Event. Permission to host a new CSI5\* without first organising a CSI4\* at the same venue may be granted, upon application from the NF of the OC, to OCs with proven experience at organising FEI high level Events. For new CSI5\* Events, and/or for new OCs of existing CSI5\* Events, the FEI reserves the right to appoint a Technical Delegate to visit the venue prior to the Event, at the OC's expense, to ensure the organisation and infrastructure meet the technical standards for a CSI5\* before the Event will be accepted in the calendar. At the discretion of the Jumping Committee the same may apply to new CSI4\* Events. Refer to JRs Art. 200.8 for details relating to date clashes.

The FEI reserves the right to appoint a Technical Delegate to visit the venue of CSIs held consecutively over several weekends at the same venue ("Tours") prior to the start of the first Event, at the OC's expense, to ensure that the infrastructure and organisation meet the required standard to cope with the large number of Athletes and horses invited to these Events.

Height restrictions for CSI1\* and CSI2\* Events: In countries hosting numerous CSI3\* and higher level Events exemptions for the maximum height of obstacles at CSI1\* and CSI2\* Events will only be granted for sporting reasons, not for prize money reasons. If NFs need an exemption in order to provide their Athletes with the opportunity to obtain Certificates of Capability, an exemption will be granted, but if NFs that regularly host CSIs of 3\* level and higher wish to organise Competitions at a height greater than 1.45m without offering minimum 3\* prize money an exemption will not be granted.

\*- Max entry fee for Young Horses € 250.- per horse for all categories. Maximum entry fee for Young Rider, Junior and Pony Events € 350.- per horse.

Following the right to be heard, a warning may be issued by the FEI to organisers not respecting the above requirements and their names may be published indicating such non-compliance. Further infringements by an organiser may result in the Event being deleted from the FEI calendar.

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CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS FOR NORTH AMERICA (CAN, MEX & USA) (CSIO REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE)					
Requirements	Amateur Owner (worldwide)	CSI + CSIO 1*+ 2*	CSI + CSIO 3*	CSI + CSIO 4*	CSI + CSIO 5*
Prize Money (worldwide) For amounts in other currencies see the prize money currency chart published on the Organisers page of the FEI website.	No restrictions	1*: Max CHF 49'999 2*: CHF 50'000 – 149'999	CHF 150'000 – 249'999	CHF 250'000 – 499'999	CHF 500'000 and up
		Prize money cannot be cumulated from multiple Events at same venue on same date to establish star level. Events at same venue over several weekends are considered separate CSIs. CSI-5* maximum duration 5 days. For these Events, the star level of the Event will be determined by the combined prize money of maximum 12 Competitions per Event, instead of the overall prize money per Event. For CSIYH Events, the following applies with regard to calculation of prize money to determine the star level: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For stand-alone Events (e.g. CSI5* or CSIO3*) where only Athletes entered for the CSI or CSIO may participate in the YH Competitions, the prize money for the CSIYH is included in the overall amount to establish the star level of the Event;</li> <li>For stand-alone Events (e.g. CSI5* or CSIO3*) where additional Athletes are invited to participate in the YH Competitions, the prize money for the CSIYH is not included in the overall amount to establish the star level of the Event;</li> <li>For multiple Events held concurrently at the same venue, (e.g. CSI2*/CSIYJ-A/CSIAm-A/CSI5*) the prize money for the CSIYH does not count in the overall amount to determine the star level for any one of the Events.</li> </ul>			
Prize money distribution	The announced prize money for each Competition must be distributed among the first 12 placed Athletes, regardless of the number of starters, according to one of the two charts attached as Annex II. The OC must state in the Schedule which of these two charts will be used. Additional created prizes for the 13 <sup>th</sup> placed to the last placed Athlete, to fulfil the quota of one prize per four starters, must be provided by the OC and the amount of each of these prizes must be stated in the Schedule. The additional prize money does not alter the star level of the Event or the Longines Rankings group of the Competition concerned.				
Combined CSIs/CSIOs (worldwide)	n/a	CSIs: Each level is considered a separate CSI. Horses entered in lower level cannot change to highest level at same Event. A CSI-1* or a CSI-2* may be held together with a CSIO. OCs organising such Events must have 2 arenas; one for the CSI and one for the CSIO. The CSIO horses may not take part in the CSI.			
Max. height of Obstacles (worldwide)	As per rules for Amateur Owners	CSI1*: 1.40m CSI2*: 1.45m; Upon request FEI may grant dispensation to height restrictions.	According to rules	According to rules	According to rules
FEI Horse passport (worldwide)	Required for Cat. A	Required for all horses	Required	Required	Required
Maximum entry fee per horse <b>VAT incl. (stabling included)</b>	€ 1500.-	CSI: 4% of total PM* CSIO: max € 500	CSI: 3% of total PM* CSIO: max € 500	CSI: 2% of total PM* CSIO: max € 500	CSI: 1% of total PM* CSIO: max € 500
* The entry fee/starting fee for any international Competition at a CSI may not exceed the applicable percentage (as established above for the category of the Event) of the prize money for that Competition. The sum total of all fees, that is, including all mandatory fees, nomination fee and entry fees, may not exceed the percentage allowed to be charged on the overall prize money (PM) of the event.					



Bedding – Shavings	CSI: All bedding will be charged CSIO: n/a	CSI: All bedding will be charged CSIO: All bedding free	CSI: All bedding will be charged CSIO: All bedding free	CSI: All bedding will be charged CSIO: All bedding free	CSI: \$50 per horse credit, then will be charged CSIO: All bedding free
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<b>CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS FOR NORTH AMERICA (CAN, MEX &amp; USA) (CSIO REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE)</b>					
<b>Requirements</b>	<b>Amateur Owner (worldwide)</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 1*+ 2*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 3*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 4*</b>	<b>CSI + CSIO 5*</b>
Maximum disposal fee manure	€ 40.- per horse	€ 40.- per horse	€ 40.- per horse	€ 40.- per horse	€ 40.- per horse
		For Events at same venue over consecutive weekends (“Tours”) max. € 40 per horse may be charged for the first Event of the Tour and max. € 20 per horse may be charged for each subsequent Event.			
Max. N° of starters per Competition	<p>Maximum 100 starters per Competition other than the GP (see below). If more than 100 starters are declared, the OC must split the class and provide the equivalent amount of prize money for the additional Competition. OCs may apply either of the following methods for splitting the Competition:</p> <p>The competition is split into two groups before it starts. There may be a different number of starters in each group. There may be athletes with multiple horses in each group but all horses of any one athlete must be in the same group.</p> <p>or</p> <p>The competition is run as one single competition and split afterward into two groups and the classification established as follows: the athlete with the best score is the winner of the first group, the athlete with the second best score is the winner of the second group and so on until prizes have been allocated to 25% of the total number of starters. <i>NB: In this case separate results must be sent to the FEI for each of the two groups, e.g. results for Competition 1a and for Competition 1b.</i></p> <p>In both cases above each group must offer the same amount of prize money as indicated for the original Competition. For the avoidance of doubt, it is the number of declared starters in the Competition, not the final number of starters, that determines whether the Competition must be split.</p>				
Max. number of starters in Grand Prix	100	CSI + CSIO: 100 If 30 starters or less in the GP, OC may allow each athlete to ride 2 horses.	CSI: 100 / CSIO: 60 If 30 starters or less in the GP, OC may allow each athlete to ride 2 horses.	CSI: 100 / CSIO: 50 If 30 starters or less in the GP, OC may allow each athlete to ride 2 horses.	CSI/CSIO: 50 (one horse per athlete)
Minimum Number of Competitions counting for Longines Rankings points	n/a	CSI1*: 0 CSIO1*: min. 1 CSIO2*/CSIO2*: min. 1	CSI/CSIO: min. 2	CSI/CSIO: min. 3	CSI/CSIO: min. 4
Meals for Grooms	At own expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense
Meals for Athletes	At own expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense
Accommodation for Grooms	At own expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense (if requested with entries)	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense (if requested w/ entries)	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense (if requested w/ entries)	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense (if requested w/ entries)
Accommodation for Athletes	At own expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense	CSI: At own expense CSIO: At OC expense
Footing (worldwide)	According to minimum standard				

Stabling ( <u>worldwide</u> )	According to minimum standard Boxes minimum 3m x 3m (min. 9m <sup>2</sup> ) + 20% boxes min. 12m <sup>2</sup> for larger horses
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<b>CSI/CSIO REQUIREMENTS FOR NORTH AMERICA (CAN, MEX &amp; USA) (CSIO REQUIREMENTS WORLDWIDE)</b>					
Requirements	Amateur Owner (worldwide)	CSI + CSIO 1* + 2*	CSI + CSIO 3*	CSI + CSIO 4*	CSI + CSIO 5*
Border crossing expenses			CSI: n/a CSIO: According to FEI General Regulations & Jumping Rules		
Invitation System			CSI: Open to all, as specified in the approved Schedule CSIO: as per Jumping Rules Art. 249.3		

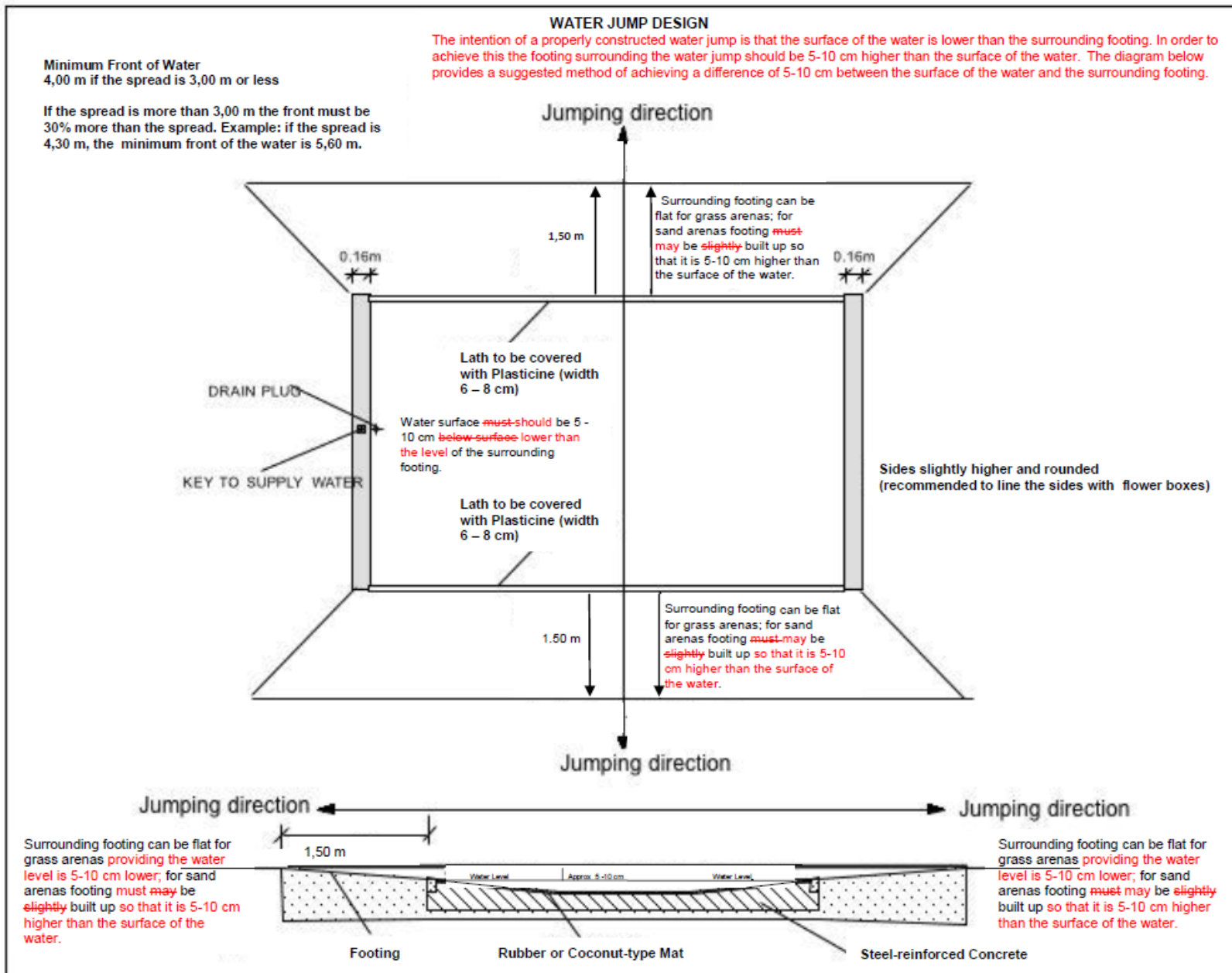
NB for new CSI-5\* Events (worldwide): OCs without proven experience at organising FEI high level Events must first successfully organise a CSI-4\* at the same venue before permission to host a 5\* Event will be granted. Prize money for the new CSI5\* must be secured by a deadline established by the FEI prior to the Event. Permission to host a new CSI5\* without first organising a CSI4\* at the same venue may be granted, upon application from the NF of the OC, to OCs with proven experience at organising FEI high level Events. For new CSI5\* Events, and/or for new OCs of existing CSI5\* Events, the FEI reserves the right to appoint a Technical Delegate to visit the venue prior to the Event, at the OC's expense, to ensure the organisation and infrastructure meet the technical standards for a CSI5\* before the Event will be accepted in the calendar. At the discretion of the Jumping Committee, the same may apply to new CSI4\* Events. Refer to JRs Art. 200.8 for details relating to date clashes.

Height restrictions for CSI1\* and CSI2\* Events: In countries hosting numerous CSI3\* and higher level Events exemptions for the maximum height of obstacles at CSI1\* and CSI2\* Events will only be granted for sporting reasons, not for prize money reasons. If NFs need an exemption in order to provide their Athletes with the opportunity to obtain Certificates of Capability, an exemption will be granted, but if NFs that regularly host CSIs of 3\* level and higher wish to organize Competitions at a height greater than 1.45m without offering minimum 3\* prize money an exemption will not be granted.

Following a hearing with the organiser, a warning may be issued by the FEI to organisers not respecting the above requirements and their names may be published. Further infringements by an organiser may result in the Event being deleted from the FEI calendar.

PM = prize money; b/fast = breakfast ; max. = maximum ; min. = minimum; n/a = not applicable

**ANNEX VII CONSTRUCTION OF THE WATER JUMP**



**ANNEX VIII QUALIFICATION PROCEDURE FOR OLYMPIC GAMES, WORLD AND CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. NFs must declare in writing to the FEI by a fixed date their intention to enter a team or individuals. Except for the Olympic Games Athletes and Horses are not required to qualify as combinations.
2. For the Olympic Games, Athletes/Horses must achieve the minimum eligibility requirements between 1 January of the year preceding the Olympic Games until the closing date for nominated entries, or a date established by the FEI. Refer to the FEI Regulations for Equestrian Events at Olympic Games for the qualification procedure for the Olympic Games.
3. **For the World Championship** Athletes/Horses must achieve the minimum eligibility requirements between 1 January of the year preceding the World Championship until the closing date for nominated entries, or a date established by the FEI. Those who achieve the results according to any of the following paragraphs will obtain a Certificate of Capability:
  - 3.1. Athletes and Horses with a score of not more than eight penalties in the team Competition (first or second round) at the last European or World Championships or Pan American Games or Olympic Games or other Continental Championships for Seniors
  - 3.2. Athletes and Horses that have completed the third Competition at the last World Championship, or the individual Final at the last European Championship or Pan American Games or Olympic Games or other Continental Championships for Seniors.
  - 3.3. Athletes and Horses with a Score of zero penalties in the first round of two FEI World Cup™ Competitions at selected outdoor CSI1\*-W, CSI2\*-W and CSI3\*-W Events. Athletes and Horses that have completed the first round of an FEI World Cup™ Competition at a selected outdoor CSI4\*-W Event with a Score of not more than four penalties. Athletes and Horses that have completed the first round of an FEI World Cup™ Competition at a selected outdoor CSI5\*-W Event with a Score of not more than eight penalties.
  - 3.4. Athletes and Horses with a Score of zero penalties in the first round of two Grand Prix Competitions at selected CSI3\* outdoor Events.
  - 3.5. Athletes and Horses with a Score of not more than four penalties in the first round of a Grand Prix Competition at a CSI4\* outdoor Event.
  - 3.6. Athletes and Horses with a Score of not more than eight penalties in the first round of a Grand Prix Competition at a CSI5\* outdoor Event.
  - 3.7. Athletes and Horses with a Score of not more than four Penalties in the first round or zero Penalties in the second round of a Nations Cup Competition at a selected CSIO3\* or CSIO4\* outdoor Event, or with a Score of not more than four Penalties in the first round of the Grand Prix Competition at the same Event (or in the first round of the FEI World Cup™ Competition if it is the Grand Prix at this Event), provided the courses of these Competitions are built according to the specifications set forth in paragraph 6 below. The course plans of these Competitions must be sent to the FEI for approval prior to the Event.
  - 3.8. Athletes and Horses with a Score of not more than eight penalties in the first or second round of a Nations Cup Competition at a CSIO5\* outdoor Event, or with a Score of not more than eight penalties in the first round of the Grand Prix Competition at the same Event (or in the first round of the FEI World Cup™ Competition if it is the Grand Prix at this Event).
4. **For the Continental Championship** Athletes/Horses must achieve the minimum eligibility requirements between 1 January of the year preceding the Continental Championship until the closing date for nominated entries, or a date established by the FEI. Those who achieve the results according to any of the following paragraphs will obtain a Certificate of Capability:
  - 4.1. Athletes and Horses with a score of not more than eight Penalties in the team Competition (first or second round) at the last European or World Championships or Pan American Games or Olympic Games or other Continental Championships for Seniors
  - 4.2. Athletes and Horses that have completed the third Competition at the last World Championship, or the individual Final at the last European Championship or Pan American Games or Olympic Games or other Continental Championships for Seniors.
  - 4.3. Athletes and Horses with a Score of zero Penalties in the first round of an FEI World Cup™ Competition at a selected outdoor CSI1\*-W, CSI2\*-W or CSI3\*-W Event. Athletes and Horses that have completed the first round of an FEI World Cup™ Competition at a selected outdoor CSI4\*-W or CSI5\*-W Event with a total score of not more than eight penalties.
  - 4.4. Athletes and Horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix Competition at a selected CSI3\* outdoor Event with a Score of zero Penalties.
  - 4.5. Athletes and Horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix Competition at a CSI4\* or CSI5\* outdoor Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.
  - 4.6. Athletes and Horses with a Score of not more than four Penalties in the first or second round of a Nations Cup Competition at a selected CSIO3\* or CSIO4\* outdoor Event , or with a Score of not more than four Penalties in the first round of the Grand Prix Competition at the same Event (or in the first round of the FEI World Cup™ Competition if it is the Grand Prix at this Event), provided the courses of these Competitions are built according to the dimensions set forth in paragraph 6 below. The course plans of these Competitions must be sent to the FEI for approval prior to the Event.
  - 4.7. Athletes and Horses with a Score of not more than eight Penalties in the first or second round of a Nations Cup Competition at a CSIO5\* outdoor Event, or with a Score of not more than eight Penalties in the first round of the Grand Prix

Competition at the same Event (or in the first round of the FEI World Cup™ Competition if it is the Grand Prix at this Event).

5. For CSI and CSIO Events mentioned above, selection will be made from Events which take place from the 1 January the year preceding the Games or Championship until the closing date for nominated entries, or a date to be fixed by the FEI. A list of Events will be published by the FEI in the year preceding the Olympic Games or FEI Championship.
6. Selected Nations Cup, Grand Prix Competitions and FEI World Cup™ qualifying Competitions must meet the following specifications: consist of at least 12 obstacles which may vary in height between 1.40 m and 1.60 m. The spread obstacles must have spreads of between 1.50 m to two metres (2.20 m for the triple bar). At least two straight obstacles must be provided with a minimum height of 1.60 m. At Events where the Schedule indicates that the height of obstacles in a qualifying Competition, e.g. the Grand Prix at a CSI3\*, is 1.50 m, a special mention may be added to the Event Schedule that if the Competition is listed as a qualifying Competition for the Olympic Games, the World or Continental Championship, the compulsory two verticals at 1.60m will be included in the course without it being considered to have exceeded the dimensions listed in the Schedule.
7. NFs unable to send complete teams to any of the CSIOs will be allowed to enter individuals who will be allowed to compete "hors concours" in the Nations Cup Competition.
8. In exceptional circumstances, if an NF finds it impossible for its Athletes to qualify as above, it may request the FEI to send a foreign assessing delegate at the expense of the NF to assess the level of performance, at a special qualifying Competition; permission for a special qualifying Competition may be granted by the Jumping Committee. Special qualifying Competitions should be held at a CSI or a CSIO and must be run in accordance with the following FEI protocol.

The OC must inform the FEI of the exact dimensions of the outdoor arena (and any fixed elements) in order for the course plan to be designed. The OC must appoint an FEI Course Designer to build the course.

The FEI will appoint an international (foreign) judge to act as the assessing delegate.

The FEI will appoint an FEI Veterinarian to perform a horse inspection prior to jumping.

An FEI Steward must be present to carry out the usual duties of an FEI Steward including, but not limited to, the boot and bandage control.

In addition to the above an MCP test may be carried out on participating horses.

An exact time must be established for the special qualifying Competition.

All costs for the special qualifying Competition will be at the requesting NF's expense.

The Competition must be open to Athletes from other NFs and shall consist of one round.

The FEI will select an FEI Course Designer to design the course plan according to the following dimensions and technical requirements; the course plan must be sent to the FEI Director Jumping for approval.

- Two Verticals of 1.60 m;
- Bend or straight line of up to six strides between two single obstacles;
- A distance of up to six strides leading to or following the triple combination;
- One triple and one double combination;
- The triple combination must have at least one oxer and at least one one-stride distance either from A to B or from B to C.
- Minimum length of course 400 meters with a minimum speed of 375m/min;
- 50% of the efforts must be spread obstacles (e.g. oxer, triple bar, Swedish oxer, narrow oxer etc.);
- Depth of cups maximum 20mm if poles are 350-400 cm long;
- A liverpool obstacle, as either a vertical or a spread.

The FEI will provide the course plan to the Course Designer appointed by the OC on the morning of the special qualifying Competition.

Immediately following the Competition, the course plan and the results duly signed and confirmed by the FEI assessing delegate, must be sent to the FEI.

Special qualifying Competitions that do not meet the above requirements will not be validated.

Athletes/Horses scoring eight Penalties or less in this round will be considered to be qualified. The foreign assessing delegate, appointed by the Jumping Committee, will advise the NF and the FEI on the granting of Certificates of Capability. If by misfortune an Athlete/Horse combination has more than eight Penalties but shows a very good performance otherwise over the course, the foreign assessing delegate may let this combination repeat a similar course. But in no case can an Athlete qualify if he has scored more than eight Penalties in the second round.

9. At Nations Cup, FEI World Cup™ and Grand Prix Competitions at selected CSI/CSIO 3\*/4\*/5\* Events the Foreign Judge is responsible for ensuring that the course is built to the required dimensions and will confirm in his report to the FEI that the minimum requirements for obtaining Certificates of Capability have been achieved.
10. Certificates of Capability must be received by the FEI for Athletes and Horses not later than the date fixed for nominated entries or date fixed by the FEI. Athletes and Horses for whom Certificates of Capability have not been received will not be allowed to start.
11. Any and all "hors concours" participation provided for directly or indirectly in the present Annex and/or in any special Rules of the Jumping Discipline are in compliance with the permissible exceptions as per Article 117.5 of the GRs.

12. The report of the assessing foreign delegate must be sent to the FEI Secretary General who in turn will send a copy to the Chair of the Jumping Committee. The NFs of the qualified Horses and Athletes will be informed by the FEI immediately after the qualification is given.

**ANNEX IX RULES FOR YOUNG RIDERS AND JUNIORS****CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION****ARTICLE 1 GENERAL**

1. Young Rider and Junior participation is an important element in the development of the Equestrian Sport in the world.  
The objective of the following Annex is to standardise types of Events and Competitions for Young Riders and Juniors throughout the world, taking into account specific problems applying exclusively to Young Riders and Juniors.

**ARTICLE 2 PRIORITY OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. The Jumping Events for Young Riders or Juniors are held in general under the same Rules as those set forth for the Jumping Events for Seniors.
2. In all matters not covered by the present Annex, the Statutes, the GRs, the VRs, the JRs and all other relevant FEI Rules and Regulations shall apply.

**ARTICLE 3 DEFINITION OF A YOUNG RIDER AND A JUNIOR**

1. A person may compete as a Young Rider from the beginning of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 16 until the end of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 21.
2. A person may compete as a Junior from the beginning of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 14 until the end of the year in which he reaches the age of 18.
3. No Young Rider or Junior, up to the age of 18 may be classified as professional.

**CHAPTER II INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS****ARTICLE 4 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS (SEE GRs ARTICLE 102)**

1. The following types of Jumping Events for Young Riders and Juniors are established: International Events Category A and B (CSIY and CSIJ Cat. A respectively CSIY and CSIJ Cat. B), Official International Events (CSIOY or CSIOJ) and Championships.
2. CSIY or CSIJ Category A Events
  - 2.1. A CSIY or CSIJ Category A Event is an International Event open to individual Athletes from the host NF and from an unrestricted number of foreign NFs.
  - 2.2. No limit on prize money to be offered.
  - 2.3. Maximum height 1.50 m, with a proportional spread between 1.50 m and 1.80 m for Young Riders; minimum age of Horses seven years.
  - 2.4. Maximum height 1.40 m with a proportional spread between 1.40 m and 1.70 m for Juniors; minimum age of Horses six years.
  - 2.5. All other requirements as per the rules for CSI2\* Events for Seniors.
  - 2.6. Strictly unofficial team Competitions, which may never be described as "Nations Cup", may be organised in these Events and must be limited to four Athletes per team.
3. CSIY or CSIJ Category B Events
  - 3.1. A CSIY or CSIJ Category B is an International Event open to individual Athletes from the host NF and from an unrestricted number of foreign NFs.
  - 3.2. No prize money may be offered.
  - 3.3. Maximum height 1.50 m, with a proportional spread between 1.50 m and 1.80 m for Young Riders; minimum age of Horses seven years.
  - 3.4. Maximum height 1.40 m with a proportional spread between 1.40 m and 1.70 m for Juniors; minimum age of Horses six years.
  - 3.5. All other requirements as per rules for CSI1\* Event for Seniors.
  - 3.6. Strictly unofficial team Competitions, which may never be described as "Nations Cup", may be organised in these Events and must be limited to four Athletes per team.
4. Official International Events (CSIOY and CSIOJ) (See Article 103 GRs)
  - 4.1. A CSIO is an International Event open to three or more NFs represented by teams.
    - 4.1.1. For invitations at CSIO Events the OC has the choice of using one of the following formulas:
      - As per Article 13.2.1 and Article 13.2.2 of this Annex; or
      - As per JRs Art. 249.1.
    - 4.2. It must include the official Competitions for teams and individuals as set forth in the JRs.
  - 4.3. A CSIO Event to which NFs are invited to participate in accordance with Article 5 (FEI Championships) must include the official Competitions as outlined under paragraph 4.2. above.
  - 4.4. A CSIO Event to which NFs are invited to participate in accordance with JRs Art. 249 must provide in the Schedule an official team Competition and a final individual Competition. These Competitions must be run in accordance with the specific rules for the relevant Competitions as set forth in these JRs. Other Competitions must be organised during the days of the CSIO to provide a complete programme for the Event. The dimensions of obstacles must not exceed those set forth for Championships.
  - 4.5. For each Category not more than two CSIO may be run during one calendar year in the same country, one indoor and one outdoor.
  - 4.6. A CSIOY or CSIOJ may, at the discretion of the Secretary General of the FEI, be allowed into the calendar during the year of the Event, provided it does not interfere with any International Event for Young Riders or Juniors already inserted in the calendar.
5. International Events with borrowed Horses
  - 5.1. By agreement of the FEI Secretary General and the Chair of the FEI Jumping Committee, CSIY and CSIJ Events may be organised in Jumping using Horses provided by the OC.
  - 5.2. The rules for borrowed Horses as outlined in GRs Art. 111 and JRs Annex XII, Art. 4.4 must be applied.
6. Combined Competitions

If combined Competitions (for both Juniors and Young Riders) are organized the provisions in relation to obstacle dimensions for Junior Competitions apply or the course is raised for Young Riders.

**ARTICLE 5 CHAMPIONSHIPS**



1. All Jumping Championships for Young Riders or Juniors have the status of a CSIO. At Championships Athletes may only take part for the country of their Sport Nationality as set forth in GRs Art. 119.
2. Each year, Continental and Regional Championships should be promoted and organised in Jumping.
3. Championships may be organised by Continents or Regions. In the case of Regions, the territorial scope must be previously approved by the FEI.
4. Each year, the FEI invites or authorises an NF to organise individual and team Championships in their respective Continents or Regions.
5. The Championships must be organised in strict accordance with the GRs, the JRs, the present Annex, and as specified herein. Only one team per NF may be entered.
6. NFs wishing to organise a Championship must apply as set forth in the GRs.
7. In principle, Championships may only be held if at least four NFs are represented, except outside Europe where they may be held with any number of regional teams from at least two NFs (including the host NF). A NF, which withdraws after the closing date for the entries and before the start of the Championship is, however, considered as represented.
8. The non-Open Championships must be restricted to all NFs included in the Continent concerned. However, entries from NFs outside the Continent in which the non-Open Championship is held may be accepted with the agreement of the Jumping Committee, but are not entitled to receive titles or medals. In non-Open European Championships, acceptance of NF entries by the Jumping Committee from outside Europe will depend on whether sufficient space is available at the Championship in question.
9. An NF taking part in a Championship outside of its Continent or Region will not have the right to organise the same Championship the following year in its Continent or Region.
10. Championships must be held at some time during a long school holiday (for Europe this is from mid-July to mid-August).
11. Championships must be held outdoors unless weather conditions require the Event to be held indoors.
12. No entry fee or starting fee may be charged unless cash prizes are awarded.

## **ARTICLE 6 ELIGIBILITY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. **Age of Athletes and Horses**  
At Regional and Olympic Games, Athletes may take part in Jumping from the year in which they reach their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. However, Athletes may take part in Regional Games and Regional Championships from the year in which they reach their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday, providing the height of obstacles in these Games and Championships does not exceed 1.40 m.
2. Young Riders and Juniors may take part with Horses whose owner is of a different nationality from themselves in all Events except in Olympic Games.
3. The limitations and conditions imposed by the GRs regarding Athletes visiting foreign NFs shall apply.
4. The participation of a Young Rider or a Junior in a Championship in one Discipline for Young Riders, respectively Juniors, does not exclude the same Athlete on another Horse from participating in a Championship for Seniors in another Discipline, if he has reached the appropriate age.
5. Once an Athlete has taken part in a Championship Competition for Young Riders in Jumping, he can no longer go back to a Championship for Juniors in Jumping.
6. Once an Athlete has taken part in a Championship Competition for Seniors or in Regional and/or Olympic Games in Jumping, he can no longer go back to a Championship for Young Riders or Juniors in Jumping. However, Athletes of the appropriate age may participate in a Championship for Juniors or in a Championship for Young Riders even if they have previously participated in Regional Games and/or Regional Championships, providing the height of obstacles at the Regional Games/Championships does not exceed 1.40 m.
7. **Certificates of Capability for FEI European Jumping Championships for Young Rider and Juniors**  
Only those Athletes and Horses competing internationally and likely to be able to complete the Championship may be entered. NFs must send to the FEI a Certificate of Capability to this effect (see GRs).  
This Certificate of Capability must include a record of the results obtained between 1 January of the year preceding the Championship and the closing date for the Nominated Entries in Competitions satisfying the requirements as set forth in the JRs.  
The procedure for qualification, set forth hereunder, must be strictly followed. Athletes and Horses are not required to qualify as combinations.  
Upon arrival at the Championship, Chefs d'Equipe can exchange Athletes and Horses at will, whether originally qualified as combinations or not. After the first Championship Competition, no further changes are permitted.  
For the European Young Rider and Junior Championships Athletes and Horses can qualify according to any one of the following paragraphs:
  - 7.1. Athletes and Horses that participated in the previous year's FEI European Championship for Young Riders and Juniors in their respective age category.
  - 7.2. For the Young Rider Championship, Athletes and Horses may qualify according to paragraphs 7.2.1, 7.2.2, 7.4 and 7.5 below:

- 7.2.1 Athletes and Horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix Competition at a CSI1\* to CSI5\* outdoor Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.
- 7.2.2 Athletes and Horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix Competition or the first round of a Nations Cup or Grand Prix Competition at a CSIO1\* to CSIO5\* Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.
- NB:** Athletes may participate in the Grand Prix at CSI1\* Events from the year in which they reach their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday and in the Grand Prix at CSI2\* Events from the year in which they reach their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday . (See JRs Art. 255). Athletes may participate in the Grand Prix at CSI3\*/4\*/5\* Events and in the Nations Cup and Grand Prix at CSIO1\* to CSIO5\* Events from the year in which they reach their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- 7.3 For the Junior Championship, Athletes and Horses may qualify according to paragraphs 7.3.1 to 7.5 below:
- 7.3.1 **Qualification through CSIs: Athletes and Horses** must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix Competition at a CSI1\* to CSI5\* outdoor Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.
- 7.3.2 **Qualification through CSIOs: Athletes** must have completed the first round of a Nations Cup or Grand Prix Competition at a CSIO1\* to CSIO5\* Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.
- Horses** that have completed the first round of a Nations Cup or Grand Prix Competition at a CSIO1\* to CSIO5\* Event in the year preceding the Championship with a Score of not more than eight Penalties are qualified for the Junior Championship. (See JRs Annex IX, Art. 15.1.2: A Championship for Juniors is open to Horses which have not competed in a Nations Cup or Grand Prix at a CSIO for Seniors during the current year.)
- NB:** Athletes may participate in the Grand Prix at CSI1\* Events from the year in which they reach their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday and in the Grand Prix at CSI2\* Events from the year in which they reach their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday (See JRs Art. 255). Athletes may participate in the Grand Prix at CSI3\*/4\*/5\* Events and in the Nations Cup and Grand Prix of CSIO1\* to CSIO5\* Events from the year in which they reach their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday.
- 7.4 Athletes and Horses must have completed the first round of a Grand Prix Competition in their own Category at a CSII/J outdoor Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.
- 7.5 Athletes and Horses must have completed the first or second round of a Nations Cup Competition in their own Category at a selected CSIOY/J outdoor Event with a Score of not more than eight Penalties, or must have completed the first round of the Grand Prix Competition of their own Category with a Score of not more than eight Penalties.
- 7.6 In exceptional circumstances, if an NF finds it impossible for its Athletes to qualify as above, it may request the FEI to send a foreign assessing delegate at the expense of the NF to assess the level of performance, at a special Competition, run in accordance with FEI protocol, consisting of one round with the dimensions as set forth on a course plan provided by the FEI. Athletes/ Horses scoring eight Penalties or less in this round will be considered to be qualified. The foreign assessing delegate, appointed by the Jumping Committee, will advise the NF and the FEI on the granting of Certificates of Capability. If due to unforeseen circumstances an Athlete/ Horse combination has more than eight Penalties but shows a very good performance otherwise over the course, the foreign assessing delegate may let this combination repeat a similar course. But in no case can an Athlete qualify if he has scored more than eight Penalties over this course.

## ARTICLE 7 SENIOR EVENTS AND OTHER CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. From the year in which they reach their 14<sup>th</sup> birthday, Young Riders and Juniors may take part in certain international Competitions for Seniors with the express permission of their NF (refer to JRs Art. 255).
2. A Junior or Pony Rider or Child may never ride in a Competition for their category and also in a Competition for Seniors, a Competition for Amateurs or a Competition for Young Horses at the same Event (refer to JRs Art. 255).
3. Athletes of the appropriate age may take part in Competitions and Championships of more than one Category but in each Discipline only in one Category of the Continental Championships in any one calendar year.

## ARTICLE 8 EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES

1. Events
  - 1.1. OCs of Events open to Young Riders or Juniors are free to offer and negotiate financial and accommodation assistance, either in hotels or youth hostels, or with private families, with the NFs of the invited Athletes.
2. Championships and CSIOs
  - 2.1. NFs are responsible for the travelling expenses of their Chefs d'Equipe, Athletes, grooms and Horses to and from the location of these Championships. and CSIO Events.
  - 2.2. For the OCs, the same applies as under paragraph 1.1 above but the following must be respected, as a minimum:
    - (i) Stabling and fodder for the Horses.  
In principle stabling and fodder are free of charge, but it is left to the decision of the OC if they wish to charge a reasonable fee. If charged, it must be stated in the Schedule.
    - (ii) possibility for the grooms to stay in the immediate vicinity of the stables.
    - (iii) one main meal must be provided free of charge by the OC, preferably in the evening, for Athletes and Chefs d'Equipe (either on the show grounds or elsewhere);
    - (iv) if accommodation is not offered free of charge, then suitable accommodation should be arranged or recommended and prices for same quoted in the Schedule.

- (v) GRs Art. 132.1 (owners of Horses) to apply.
  - (vi) Agent and Veterinary fees for entering and leaving the frontier of the organising country and/or the show grounds to be arranged and paid by the OC.
- 2.3. The GRs apply in the case of Officials.
  3. All privileges are to be awarded from one day before the CSIO and Championship until one day after.
  4. The Chefs d'Equipe are responsible for the behaviour of their teams and/or individuals throughout the Event. They and their NF are responsible for any damages that occur. If the Athletes are not lodged in private homes the Chefs d'Equipe must stay with their teams and/or individuals.
  5. The Appeal Committee has the authority to assess any costs for damages. According to the FEI legal system, the Ground Jury and/or the Appeal Committee may impose a fine and has the right to disqualify the team and/or individuals for unacceptable behaviour at any stage throughout the Event.

## **ARTICLE 9 PRIZES**

1. Prize money and/or prizes in kind must be awarded in Young Rider and Junior Events.
2. In all Events except Championships, one rosette and a prize in kind or a souvenir, if prize money is not given, must be awarded for each commenced four Athletes with a minimum of five prizes. It is recommended that stable plaques are awarded to the first four individuals.
3. In Championships, the following minimum number of awards must be presented:
  - 3.1. In the Farewell Competition, prize money and/or prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each commenced four Athletes with a minimum of five prizes.
  - 3.2. In the team Championship, FEI medals are awarded to the team members (see GRs 104.2.2.4.). The FEI trophy will be presented at the General Assembly to the winning NF. In addition, prize money and/or prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each of the Athletes in the teams taking the first four places.
  - 3.3. In the individual Championship, FEI medals are awarded (see GRs 104.2.2.4). In addition, prize money and/or prizes in kind, plaques and rosettes at a rate of one prize for each commenced four Athletes with a minimum of five prizes are awarded.
  - 3.4. At Championships, the prize-giving ceremony should be given great importance and should be held in the arena with the Athletes mounted.
  - 3.5. The OC should present all Chefs d'Equipe and Athletes with a souvenir or a plaque.
  - 3.6. OCs should award as many extra prizes as possible, for example:
    - 3.6.1. Athletes with the best style (possible division as 3.6.2. and 3.6.3. below);
    - 3.6.2. best girl Athletes;
    - 3.6.3. best boy Athletes;
    - 3.6.4. sportsmanship.

## **ARTICLE 10 SCHOOLING OF HORSES**

1. Under penalty of disqualification, it is not permitted for an Athlete's Horse to be schooled by anyone else other than the Athlete himself mounted in the saddle, in or outside the town where an Event or a Championship is held, as from 18.00 hours on the day preceding the commencement of the first Competition of an Event or Championship until the conclusion of the whole Event or Championship. However, lungeing, work in hand, etc. by someone other than the Athlete, under the supervision of the stewards, are permitted.

## **ARTICLE 11 TECHNICAL DELEGATE**

1. In addition to the responsibilities imposed by the GRs, a Technical Delegate at Championships and at International Events (if a Technical Delegate is appointed), will have the responsibility and the authority to check that all facilities are adequate, that the behaviour of participants is correct and that social and educational functions are conducted with the utmost care, always bearing in mind the welfare of the participants and the development of the best spirit of sportsmanship and fair play.

## **ARTICLE 12 SCHEDULE**

1. The OC must prepare a Schedule, which must include the following information:
  - 1.1. Type of Event.
  - 1.2. Description of individual Competitions.
  - 1.3. Prizes, trophies to be awarded.
  - 1.4. Height, spread of jumps.

- 1.5. Types of jumps included.
- 1.6. List of Judges, Technical Delegates, Course Designers, etc.
- 1.7. Programme of Competitions.
- 1.8. Programme of social events.
- 1.9. Lodging of Chefs d'Equipe and Athletes which may be in hotel or with private families.
- 1.10. Arrangements for parents, including a list of hotels where parents can reserve directly and not through the OC.
- 1.11. Accommodation for grooms.
- 1.12. Stabling of Horses.
- 1.13. Local transportation arrangements.
- 1.14. Arrival and departure dates, outside which no expenses will be paid.
- 1.15. Other useful information including passport and visa requirements, climate, type of clothes needed, etc.

**CHAPTER III CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS****ARTICLE 13 ENTRIES**

1. After the approval of the Schedule by the FEI Jumping Director, the invitations, together with the Schedule, are sent to the appropriate NFs of the Continent or Region by the host NF.
2. Teams
  - 2.1. Each NF may enter one team of not more than five Athletes and five Horses. However, outside of Europe, the NFs concerned may determine the number of teams and the regional basis for team representation (see Article 5.7. of this Annex). The OC must extend its invitation to a Chef d'Equipe who will be given the same privileges as the Athletes. No reserve Horse may be brought to this Championship.
  - 2.2. These five Athletes and five Horses are allowed to take part in the team Competition (see Art. 14.1 of this Annex) and individual Competitions of the Championship.
3. Individuals instead of teams

An NF, which cannot send a team, may enter one or two individual Athletes with one Horse each.

  - 3.1. NFs are entitled to send one groom for each two Horses with a maximum of two grooms per team.
  - 3.2. Entries shall be made in three phases in accordance with the GRs.
  - 3.3. The FEI Bureau decides whether or not the Championship is organised as an Open Championship or as a non-Open Championship. If the Championship is declared to be an Open Championship, teams and individuals from NFs outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held, compete for Championship medals and titles under the same conditions as teams and individuals from the host Continent or Region. See Art. 5.8 of this Annex.

**ARTICLE 14 DECLARATION OF STARTERS**

1. The Chefs d'Equipe must declare the composition of their team (four Athletes/Horses) to the OC in writing, before 18.00 hours, on the day preceding the team Competition.
2. The fifth pair (Athlete/Horse) may only be eligible to start as a member of the team in case of an accident or illness either to one of the four team Athletes or to one of the four Horses, provided the Chef d'Equipe obtains the approval of the Ground Jury.
3. If the Championship is held during a CSI the OC may allow the Athletes participating in the Championship to take part with different Horses in the Competitions of the CSI (Article 7 above). The Horses to be ridden in the Championship must, however, be declared before arrival at the Event and may not be substituted.

**ARTICLE 15 AGE REQUIREMENTS**

1. Horses
  - 1.1. Horses must be seven years of age or older.
  - 1.2. A Championship for Juniors is open to Horses which have not competed in a Nations Cup or Grand Prix in a CSIO for Seniors during the current year.
  - 1.3. They may not have competed previously in any Competition for Seniors during the Event at which the Championship is being held.
2. Athletes
  - 2.1. A Championship for Young Riders is open to Athletes from the beginning of the year in which they reach the age of 16 until the end of the year in which they reach the age of 21.
  - 2.2. A Junior, from the beginning of the year in which he reaches the age of 16 until the end of the year in which he reaches the age of 18 may take part in the Championship for Young Riders, but he may not take part in both the Championship for Young Riders and in the Championship for Juniors during the same year and in the same Discipline (see Art. 7.3 of this Annex).
  - 2.3. A Junior, from the year in which he reaches the age of 18, may take part in the Continental and World Jumping Championships for Seniors, but he is not allowed to take part in Championships for Juniors, Young Riders and/or Seniors in the same year. However, a Junior, from the year in which he reaches his 14<sup>th</sup> birthday, may take part in the same year in both the Jumping Championship for Juniors and in certain international Competitions for Seniors on the occasion of a CSIO and a CSI (see JRs Art. 255).
  - 2.4. A Junior who, from the year in which he reaches the age of 18, has taken part in a Championship Competition at a Continental or World Jumping Championship for Seniors will no longer be eligible to compete as a Junior (see Art. 6.6 of this Annex).
  - 2.5. A Young Rider, from the beginning of the year in which he reaches the age of 18 until the end of the year in which he reaches the age of 21 may take part in the Championship for Seniors, but he may not take part in both the Championship for Seniors and in the Championship for Young Riders during the same year in the same Discipline (see Art. 7.3 of this Annex)

**ARTICLE 16      COMPETITIONS**

1. One of the two following formulas must be used:

	<b>Formula A</b>	<b>Formula B</b>
<b>First day</b>	Training session	Training session First qualifying Competition
<b>Second day</b>	First qualifying Competition	Team Championship
<b>Third day</b>	Team Championship Farewell Competition	Rest day (or the second day may be used as rest day instead)
<b>Fourth day</b>	Farewell Competition if not held the 3 <sup>rd</sup> day Individual Final Competition	Farewell Competition Individual Final Competition

- 1.1. For the North American combined Championships for Juniors and Young Riders, OCs may use the following Formula C instead of Formula A or B above:

	<b>Formula C</b>
<b>First Day</b>	Training Session
<b>Second Day</b>	First Competition (Teams and Individuals)
<b>Third Day</b>	Second Competition (Team Final, 2 <sup>nd</sup> individual)
<b>Fourth Day</b>	Compulsory Rest Day
<b>Fifth Day</b>	Third Competition (individual Final)

2. Training Session

The OC provide a training period in the main arena with a course consisting of approximately eight obstacles including a combination.

Each Athlete is permitted a maximum of 90 seconds per Horse. Dress is informal: boots, breeches, shirt and protective headgear must be worn.

The public may not be charged to enter and prizes of any kind may not be offered.

3. First Qualifying Competition for the individual Championship (open to all Athletes)

- 3.1. Starting Order in the first Qualifying Competition.

There will be a draw for the starting order of the Athletes, regardless of their nationality.

- 3.2. Format of the first Qualifying Competition (Young Riders and Juniors)

This Competition is run over a Table A course judged under Table C (see JRs Art. 239 and 263) without a jump-off in the event of equality for the first place.

The Scores obtained by each Athlete will be converted into points by multiplying the time of each Athlete by the coefficient 0.50; the Score must be correct to two decimal places. The second decimal place will be rounded up to .005 and rounded down from .004.

The Athlete with the lowest number of points after this conversion will be given zero Penalties, the other Athletes being credited with the number of Penalties representing the difference in points between each of them and the leading Athlete.

If an Athlete is eliminated or does not complete his round for any reason, he will be awarded the same number of Penalties as that incurred by the Athlete who has been the most severely penalised, plus 20 Penalties. If the Athlete concerned has himself received the highest number of Penalties before being eliminated or retiring, 20 Penalties will be added to his Score. Adding the 20 Penalties is done after the time difference has been converted into Penalties.

4. Second Qualifying Competition (Team Championship, second qualifying Competition for the individual Championship)

- 4.1. This Competition is run over two identical rounds according to Table A not against the clock with a jump-off against the clock in case of equality for first, second and/or third place.

This Competition to be open only to Athletes and Horses which have taken part in the first qualifying Competition (paragraph 3 above), the team classification only affecting the members of the teams who have declared to start.

- 4.2. Starting Order in the Team Competition.

Starting order in the team Competition will be according to a draw in the first round. In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of Penalties incurred in the first round.

In the second round individual Athletes will start before the teams.

In the case of individuals or teams with equal Penalties, the same starting order will be retained as in the first round.

The starting order in the possible jump-off will revert to the starting order in the second round.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and first places.

The second round is open only to the ten best teams in the first round and those teams placed *ex aequo* for 10<sup>th</sup> place.

Before the ten best placed teams and those placed *ex aequo* for 10<sup>th</sup> place begin their second round, all individuals and team members not qualified for the second round may take part in a second round qualifier for the third Competition. There must be a break of at least 30 minutes between the second round qualifier and the second round of the team Competition.

#### 4.2.1 For the North American combined Championships for Juniors and Young Riders, the following applies:

The second round of the team Competition is open only to the six best placed teams and those teams placed *ex aequo* for the sixth place following the first round of the team Competition.

#### 5. Farewell Competition

OCs must provide one individual Farewell Competition for those who are not qualified to participate in the individual Final of the Championship.

This Competition is judged under Table A against the clock with one jump-off against the clock. (see JRs Art. 238.2.2).

The Farewell Competition for Young Riders and Juniors may be combined if there is not a sufficient number of Young Riders and Juniors at the Championship.

#### 6. Individual Final Competition

##### 6.1. Running

This Competition consists of two different rounds A and B judged under Table A not against the clock with a jump-off against the clock in case of equality for the first, second and/or third place (see JRs Art. 273.3.2).

Qualified to participate are the top 60% of the Athletes (including those placed equal for last place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and the second qualifying Competitions. The number of Athletes permitted to participate must not be less than 15 and not more than 30.

They must have taken part in the first qualifying Competition (completed or not) and have completed the second Competition (without having been eliminated or without retiring). If, for any reason, one or more of the qualified Athletes are unable to start, they will not be replaced by followers.

All Athletes who complete Round A go forward to Round B. The Penalties in the two rounds are added.

The Athletes will be invited to inspect the course of Round B.

##### 6.1.1 For the North American combined Championships for Juniors and Young Riders, the following applies:

Qualified to participate in the first round of the individual Final are the 25 best placed Athletes (including those placed *ex aequo* for 25<sup>th</sup> place) of each Category according to the cumulative Penalties of the first and second qualifying Competitions.

Qualified to participate in the second round of the individual Final are the 15 best placed Athletes (including those placed *ex aequo* for 15<sup>th</sup> place) of each Category.

##### 6.2. Starting Order

The starting order for Round A will follow the reverse order of Penalties incurred in the first and second qualifying Competitions of the Championship. In the event of equality of Penalties for any placing, the result of the first qualifying Competition will be the deciding factor for the starting order. The lowest placed qualified Athlete will therefore start first.

The starting order for Round B will follow the reverse order of the Penalties incurred in the first and second qualifying Competitions as well as Round A. The Athlete with the greatest number of Penalties will start first, the Athlete with the least Penalties will start last. In the event of Athletes with equal Penalties, the result of the first qualifying Competition will be the deciding factor for the starting order.

## ARTICLE 17 OBSTACLES AND COURSES

### 1. First qualifying Competition: *Obstacles and other technical requirements*

	Young Riders	Juniors
<b>Number of obstacles</b>	12-14	12-14
<b>Maximum height</b>	1.45 m	1.40 m
<b>Spread</b>	1.50 to 1.70 m	1.40 to 1.60 m
<b>Maximum spread of water jump (not compulsory)</b>	4.00 m	3.70 m
<b>Minimum/maximum length of the course</b>	500/600 m	500/600 m

<b>Speed</b>	N/A	N/A
<b>Table</b>	C	C

2. Team Competition: *Obstacles and other technical requirements*

	Young Riders	Juniors
<b>Number of obstacles</b>	12-14	12-14
<b>Maximum height</b>	1.50 m	1.40 m
<b>Maximum spread</b>	1.80 m	1.70 m
<b>At least 8 obstacles (including two verticals) with a minimum height of</b>	1.40 m	1.30 m
<b>Maximum spread of the water jump (compulsory)</b>	4.20 m	3.70 m
<b>Minimum/maximum length of the course</b>	500/600 m	500/600 m
<b>Speed</b>	400 m/min.	375 m/min.

The course must comprise 1 double and 1 treble combination or 3 doubles.

3. Individual Final Competition: *Obstacles and other technical requirements*

	Young Riders	Juniors
<b>Number of obstacles Round A</b>	10-12	10-12
<b>Round B</b>	8-10	8-10
<b>Maximum height</b>	1.50 m	1.40 m
<b>Maximum spread</b>	1.80 m	1.70 m
<b>Maximum spread of the triple bar</b>	2.00 m	2.00 m
<b>Maximum Spread of the water jump (compulsory)</b>	4.20 m	3.70 m
<b>Minimum/maximum length of the course Round A</b>	500/600 m	500/600 m
<b>Round B</b>	450/550 m	450/550 m
<b>Speed</b>	400 m/min.	375 m/min.

The course of Round A must comprise one double and one treble combination or three doubles. The course of Round B must comprise one double or one treble combination.

Round B must be different from Round A. For the Junior Team Championships, a vertical obstacle, consisting of any number of poles but with the use of FEI-approved safety cups, must be placed over the water jump in Round B. The vertical obstacle must not be placed further than two metres from the front of this obstacle. This obstacle is judged as a vertical obstacle and not as a water jump (see JRs Art. 211.10).

4. Jump-off

In the case of a jump-off, either for team classification or for the individual classification, a reduced course over six obstacles, which may be raised (to a maximum of 1.50 m) for Juniors and/or widened.

5. Farewell Competition

The obstacles for the Farewell Competition must have a height of approximately 1.40 m for Young Riders and 1.30 m for Juniors with a proportional spread between 1.40 m and 1.60 m.

## ARTICLE 18 TEAM CLASSIFICATION

- The team classification is decided by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in each of the two rounds of the team Championship. For those teams not qualified for the second round the results of the best three Athletes per team in the first round count.



2. Team Athletes not completing the first or second round receive 20 Penalties more than the worst placed team Athlete who has finished that particular round.
3. In the case of equality of Penalties between the teams for first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is compulsory in which all team Athletes participate (see Article 17.4 of this Annex).
4. If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and the first place.
5. The classification in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties and the times incurred by the best three Athletes in each team. In case of further equality of Penalties and time, the teams will be placed equal.
6. The other teams will be placed according to their added Penalties in the two rounds. Those with equal Penalties are placed equal.
7. In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for the team Competition. Athletes with equality of Penalties are placed equal.
8. Teams taking part in a non-Open Championship from NFs outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held, may participate in the team Competition, but will not receive a team classification. They may receive prizes for the individual classification in the team Competition (see Article 18.7 of this Annex).

## **ARTICLE 19 INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFICATION**

1. The individual placing is determined for each Athlete by the addition of Penalties incurred in the first qualifying Competition, the two rounds of the second qualifying Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in a possible jump-off) and the two rounds of the third Competition.
2. In case of equality of Penalties for the first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is compulsory (see Article 17.4 of this Annex).
3. If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and the first place.
4. Athletes taking part in non-Open Championships from NFs outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held may participate in the Final individual competition if qualified, but are not allowed to take part in the jump-off for individual medal placing. Their penalties from Rounds A and B are added to give them their classification in the competition.
5. Two classifications for the individual Final competition must be provided; one for the individual Medal winners; and another for all Athletes taking part in this competition. For the latter classification only the results from Rounds A and B count. Athletes with equality of penalties are placed equal.

## **ARTICLE 20 SADDLERY AND DRESS**

1. The rules regarding saddlery and dress must be strictly applied in accordance with the Jumping Rules (see JRs Art. 256 and 257).

## **ARTICLE 21 GROUND JURY**

1. The FEI Jumping Director, in consultation with the Jumping Committee and in accordance with the GRs and the JRs must appoint the President of the Ground Jury. The NF/OC appoints the Members of the Ground Jury in accordance with the GRs.

## **ARTICLE 22 FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE**

1. The FEI Jumping Director, in consultation with the Jumping Committee and in accordance with the GRs and the JRs must appoint the Foreign Technical Delegate.

## **ARTICLE 23 VETERINARY COMMISSION**

1. The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of the President and Members must comply with the requirements of the VRs.

## **ARTICLE 24 APPEAL COMMITTEE**

1. The FEI Jumping Director, in consultation with the Jumping Committee and in accordance with the GRs and the JRs, must appoint the President of the Appeal Committee. An Appeal Committee is not obligatory for CSI Events.

## **ARTICLE 25 PRIZES AND SOUVENIRS**

1. The allocation of prizes and souvenirs must comply with the requirements set forth in Article 9 of this Annex.

## **ARTICLE 26 MISCELLANEOUS**

1. In all circumstances not covered by the present Annex, the Ground Jury, being guided by the GRs and the JRs, will take such decisions as they consider will best produce a fair classification for the Championship.

**ANNEX X RULES FOR VETERAN ATHLETES****CHAPTER I VETERAN ATHLETES****ARTICLE 1 GENERAL**

1. The objective of the following set of Rules is to standardise types of Events and Competitions for Veteran Athletes throughout the world taking into account specific considerations applying exclusively to Veteran Athletes.

Except for the following specific Rules, the JRs will apply.

**ARTICLE 2 DEFINITION OF A VETERAN ATHLETE**

The following may compete as Veteran Athletes:

1. Ladies from the year in which they reach their 45<sup>th</sup> birthday and gentlemen from the year in which they reach their 49<sup>th</sup> birthday. Athletes may not have participated in jumping Competitions for senior Athletes at CSI2\* Events and upwards in the current year.
2. Veteran Competitions are open to Athletes who, in the current year, have not taken part in any Competition in the initial round with the height of obstacles exceeding 1.35 m.
3. Each Athlete must be in possession of a valid licence of his NF.
4. Upon entering Athletes for International Events, NFs automatically certify that entries are correct and that participants meet the above requirements.

**ARTICLE 3 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS (SEE GRs ART. 102)**

The following Events may be organised for Veteran Athletes: CSIs Category A and B and CSIOs.

1. CSIV Category A Events
  - 1.1. A CSIV Category A Event is an international Event open to individual Athletes from the host NF and from an unrestricted number of foreign NFs.
  - 1.2. No limit on prize money offered.
  - 1.3. All other requirements as per rules for CSI2\* Event for Seniors.
2. CSIV Category B Events
  - 2.1. A CSIV Category B is an international Event open to individual Athletes from the host NF and from an unrestricted number of foreign NFs. Athletes living abroad may compete at CSIV Category B Events for the host NF at Events held in the host NF.
  - 2.2. No prize money.
  - 2.3. All other requirements as per rules for CSI1\*Event for Seniors.

**ARTICLE 4 OBSTACLES AND COURSES**

1. Courses for Veteran Athletes consist of eight to 12 obstacles. Obstacles have a minimum height of 1.10 m and a maximum height of 1.30 m in the first round. Spread obstacles have a width in proportion to their height of 1.20 m to 1.35 m. Speed: 350 m per minute.

**CHAPTER II CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIP TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS****ARTICLE 5 ORGANISATION**

1. Every two years, the team and individual Continental Championship may be organised under the authority of the FEI according to the following principles:
  - 1.1. A NF will not normally be authorised to organise two consecutive Continental Championships.
  - 1.2. This Championship must be organised in full agreement with the GRs, the JRs and the present Annex.
  - 1.3. This Championship must be held outdoors.
2. The Championship may be held together with a CSI but not as part of a CSIO. If the Championship is held on its own, the programme for the Championship must provide also for Competitions open to Athletes entered in the Championship riding Horses which are not taking part in the Championship. The programme for each day may include one or two Competitions. Each Horses may only compete in one Competition per day. The conditions for these Competitions must be presented to the Secretary General of the FEI for approval.

3. If the Championship is held together with a CSI, the training session on the first day is only open to Athletes of the Championship. For Athletes of the CSI, separate Competitions may be organised. From the second day on, the Athletes may be mixed.

## **ARTICLE 6 FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE, VETERINARY DELEGATE AND COURSE DESIGNER**

1. The Foreign Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI, in consultation with the Jumping Committee in accordance with the provisions of the GRs. He must be selected from the list of Level 3 Course Designers at least.
2. An FEI Veterinary Delegate must be appointed by the OC from the FEI list of veterinarians.
3. The Course Designer must be chosen from the list of Level 3 Course Designers at least.

## **ARTICLE 7 APPEAL COMMITTEE AND GROUND JURY**

1. The President of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the OC in accordance with the provisions of the GRs. The President of the Ground Jury appoints the Ground Jury members in consultation with the OC and the FEI.  
  
The President of the Ground Jury and Foreign Judge must be chosen from the list of Level 4 Judges and the members of the Ground Jury from the list of Level 4 Judges or Level 3 Judges. The President of the Ground Jury may also act as the Foreign Judge.
2. An Appeal Committee is mandatory. See GRs Art. 150 for the composition and appointment of the Appeal Committee.

## **ARTICLE 8 ENTRIES**

1. After approval of the Schedule by the FEI Jumping Director, the Schedule and the invitations for this Championship are sent by the host NF to all NFs affiliated to the FEI, in the Continent where the Championship is scheduled to take place.
2. Athletes and Horses entered for a Championship on the list of nominated entries (four weeks before the Championship) may be replaced and additions can be made within the limits specified in GRs 116.4.2 until the date of definite entries (maximum ten days before the start of the Championship).

In the event of an accident or illness of a Athlete and/or Horse, substantiated by a certificate from an official recognized doctor and/or veterinarian, between the date of definite entries and one hour before the first Horse inspection of the Championship, substitutions of Athletes and/or Horses can be made. Such substitutions must be taken from the updated list of nominated entries and require Ground Jury approval.

3. Teams  
  
A team comprises at least three Athletes and three Horses and at most five Athletes and ten Horses. Each NF may enter a maximum of ten Athletes and 20Horses with its nominated entries and a maximum of five Athletes and ten Horses with its definite entries. Each NF may only send a maximum of five Athletes and ten Horses to the Championship. Each NF may in addition send a Chef d'Equipe to whom will be accorded the same privileges as the Athletes.
4. Individuals instead of a Team  
  
An NF, which cannot send a full team, may enter one or two individual Athletes with two Horses each.
- 4.1. Additional Athlete and Horse  
  
The Horses of team members and individuals not taking part in the Championship Competitions may compete in the non-Championship Competitions. The fifth (reserve) Athlete may take part in the individual Championship with one Horse. He may take part in the non-Championship Competitions with his other Horse.
5. FEI South American Championships - Number of teams and individuals  
  
A minimum of three NFs must be represented by teams. A minimum of three teams are required for this Event to be recognised as a Championship. Each NF may not be represented by more than two teams. Athletes and/or Horses may not change from one team to another team during the Championship. A maximum of two individual Athletes only are allowed to participate per NF, if the NF in question sends one team to the Championship. If the NF is not represented by a team, two individual Athletes may participate for the NF in question.

## **ARTICLE 9 DECLARATION AND SUBSTITUTION OF STARTERS (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)**

1. Declaration  
  
The declaration of starters will take place after the training session, which must be provided on the day preceding the first Competition of the Championship. At a time fixed by the OC, the Chefs d'Equipe will designate in writing the members of their team (three or four) or their individual Athletes and the names of their Horses (a single and same Horse for each Athlete for the three Competitions of the Championship) as starters in the Competitions of the Championship.
2. Substitution

In the event of an accident or illness of an Athlete and/or Horse between the submission of declarations and one hour before the start of the first Championship Competition, the Athlete and/or the Horse may, on production of a certificate from an officially recognised doctor and/or with the permission of the FEI Veterinary Delegate and after approval of the President of the Ground Jury, be replaced by another Athlete and/or Horse formally entered with the definite entries or substituted according to Article 8 of the present Annex.

## **ARTICLE 10            QUALIFICATIONS**

1.     Horses  
The Horses must be six years old or more.
2.     Athletes  
The Championship is confined to Athletes from the year in which they reach their 45<sup>th</sup> (ladies) and 49<sup>th</sup> (gentlemen) birthday.
3.     Certificates of Capability  
Only those Athletes and Horses likely to be able to complete the Championship may be entered.

## **ARTICLE 11            EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES**

1.     The OC is responsible for the travelling expenses of the President of the Ground Jury.
2.     The OC is responsible for the living and accommodation expenses of the President and members of the Ground Jury, the Appeal Committee, the Technical Delegate and the FEI Veterinary Delegate.

## **ARTICLE 12            TRAINING SESSION**

1.     The day prior to the first official Competition, the OC must provide a training period in the main arena with a course consisting of approximately eight obstacles including a combination.
2.     Each Athlete is permitted a maximum of 90seconds per Horse.
3.     Dress is informal; boots, breeches, shirt and protective headgear must be worn.
4.     The public may not be charged to enter and prizes of any kind may not be offered.

## **ARTICLE 13            CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITIONS**

1.     The Championship comprises three Competitions, each taking place on a different day. The total Penalties incurred by the three best placed Athletes in the first Competition and in each round of the second Competition count towards the team placing and the total Penalties incurred in each of the first three Competitions count towards the individual placing.
2.     The design and construction of all obstacles with regard to safety and technical suitability must be approved by the Technical Delegate and Course Designer. Should a dispute arise relating to these obstacles, the Technical Delegate has the final decision.

## **ARTICLE 14            FIRST COMPETITION (TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS)**

1.     Conduct, Table, Speed  
This first Competition is conducted over a big Table A course and judged under Table C (see JRs Art. 239 and 263) without a jump-off in the event of equality of time for first place.
2.     Obstacles, Length of the course  
Twelve to 14 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height 1.25 m maximum, a spread in proportion not exceeding 1.35 m (1.70 m for the triple bar). No Water Jump.  
Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.
3.     Participation  
The Athletes and Horses declared as starters for the team and individual Championships are qualified to take part in this first Competition. The reserve (fifth) Athlete may take part in this Competition with one Horse with a view to qualifying for the individual Final.
4.     Starting order  
The starting order in this first Competition is drawn in the presence of the Ground Jury, the Technical Delegate and the Chefs d'Equipe, at a time fixed by the President of the Ground Jury in agreement with the OC after the training session. The draw for the starting order for individuals and teams will be conducted in accordance with the procedure set forth in JRs Art. 252. The Chefs d'Equipe of the teams with only three Athletes may choose in which of the three places out of four they will start their Athletes.
5.     Penalties

The Scores obtained by each Athlete will be converted into points by multiplying the time of each Athlete by the coefficient 0.50; the Score must be rounded up or down to the second decimal place. The second decimal place will be rounded up from .005 and rounded down from .004.

The Athlete with the lowest number of points after this conversion will be given zero Penalties, the other Athletes being credited with the number of Penalties representing the difference in points between each of them and the leading Athlete.

If an Athlete is eliminated or does not complete his round for any reason, he will be awarded the same number of Penalties as that incurred by the Athlete who has been the most severely penalised, plus 20 Penalties. If the Athlete concerned has himself received the highest number of Penalties before being eliminated or retiring, 20 Penalties will be added to his Score. Adding the 20 Penalties is done after the time-difference has been converted into Penalties.

## **ARTICLE 15 SECOND COMPETITION (TEAM FINAL, SECOND INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION)**

### 1. Conduct, Table, Speed

This second Competition is conducted over two equal rounds run over one or two days under Table A not against the clock and without a jump-off at a speed of 350 m per minute.

### 2. Obstacles, Length of the courses

Twelve to 14 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height 1.25 m maximum with a spread in proportion not exceeding 1.35 m (1.70 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical obstacles, which must be 1.30 m in height (sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles). At least six other obstacles of at least 1.25 m in height. No Water Jump.

Length: 500 m minimum, 700 m maximum.

After Consultation with the Course Designer, the Ground Jury may decide to move the obstacles sideways following the first round depending on the condition of the footing. The course must be re-measured if there is a change in the length. If the position of any of the obstacles is altered, the Athletes will be permitted to inspect the course before the second round.

### 3. Participation

Only the Athletes and Horses, which have taken part in the first Competition, may take part in the second Competition.

#### 3.1. Individuals

3.1.1. The 50 Athletes (such number to be increased if there is equality for the 50th place) having the best Score deriving from the addition of the Scores obtained in the first individual qualifying Competition and Round one of team Competition (second individual qualification Competition) are allowed to participate in the third individual qualification Competition which is Round two of the team Competition.

3.1.2. If the Athletes qualified as above under 3.1.1 are not members of a team which has been qualified to participate in Round two of the team Competition, said Athletes will compete prior to Round two of the team Competition. There will be at least 30 minutes interval between this round and Round two of the team Competition.

#### 3.2. Teams

3.2.1. Round two of the team Competition takes place after the third qualifying Competition for individuals. It is open only to the 10 best placed teams and those teams equal on Penalties for 10<sup>th</sup> place after Round one of the team Competition.

3.2.2. All teams allowed to compete in Round two of the team Competition carry their Penalties forward from the first individual qualifying Competition and Round one of the team Competition.

Score obtained in Round two by members of teams who are not among the Athletes eligible to compete in the third individual qualifying Competition as mentioned under 3.1.1 above, count only for the classification of their respective teams.

### 4. Starting order

The starting order in this second Competition will be determined by a new draw in accordance with the same procedure as provided for the first Competition.

#### 4.1. Individuals

4.1.1. The starting order of the individuals qualified to compete as mentioned hereinabove under section 3.1.1 is set according to the reverse order of the aggregate Penalties incurred in the first and the second individual qualifying Competitions. In case of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the Score of the first Competition will decide their starting order.

#### 4.2. Teams

4.2.1. The starting order of the teams qualified to compete in Round two of the team Competition is set according to the reverse order of total Penalties of the best three Athletes per team incurred in the first individual qualifying Competition and of the best three Athletes per team in the Round one of the team Competition. Teams with equality of the Penalties retain the starting order of Round one .

4.2.2. Scores of individuals who are members of any team eligible to participate in round two as provided herein above will count for the classification of their team in the team Competition but also as their personal result in the third qualifying Competition if they are among the Athletes mentioned in paragraph 3.1.1. above.

### 5. Team Placing

The ten teams and those with equality of Penalties for 10<sup>th</sup> place receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each of the two rounds of the second Competition. The team, which has obtained the least number of Penalties will be placed first and declared Continental team champion.

In the event of equality of Penalties between teams for first, second and/or third place, there will be a jump-off against the clock in which all team Athletes may take part, over six obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread at a speed of 350 m per minute.

The Score in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team, but in the event of further equality of Penalties, the times of these three Athletes in the jump-off added together will decide the winning team as well as those placed second or third. The Score of this jump-off is only to determine the placing of the teams and will not count towards the final Scores of the individual Athletes.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, the teams concerned will be placed equal.

Teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition receive their placing by adding the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in each team in the first Competition and the Penalties incurred by the three best Athletes in the first round of the team Competition.

#### 6. Rest Day

A rest day must be scheduled between the second and third Competitions.

## ARTICLE 16 THIRD COMPETITION (INDIVIDUAL FINAL)

### 1. Conduct, Table, Speed

This third Competition is conducted over two rounds (A) and (B) each judged under Table A not against the clock with a time allowed at a speed of 350 m per minute (see JRs Art. 238.1.1).

### 2. Obstacles, Length of the Courses

#### 2.1 Round A

Ten to 12 obstacles, including one double and one treble or three doubles. Height: 1.25 m maximum with a spread in proportion, not exceeding 1.35 m (1.70 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical obstacles, which must be 1.30 m in height (sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles). No Water Jump. Length: 500 m minimum, 600 m maximum.

#### 2.2 Round B

A different course from Round A comprising eight to ten obstacles including only one combination (one double or one treble). Height 1.30 m maximum with a spread in proportion not exceeding 1.35 m (1.70 m for the triple bar). At least two vertical obstacles, which must be 1.30 m in height (sloping walls do not count as compulsory vertical obstacles).

A water jump may not be included, but an obstacle with water beneath, in front or behind (a so-called "Liverpool") may be included in the course. Length: 400 m minimum, 500 m maximum.

### 3. Participation

This third Competition is compulsory for the 25 best placed Athletes and Horses (including those with equality of Penalties for 25<sup>th</sup> place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second Competitions or according to the cumulative Penalties over the first Competition and first round of the second Competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team Competition for individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition. Athletes must have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed the second Competition (without having been eliminated or having retired) or have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed the first round of the second Competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team Competition for individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition (without having been eliminated or having retired). If for any reason one or more of these 25 best placed Athletes are unable to start, they will be replaced by Athletes from the reserve list of five Athletes.

### 4. Inspection of Course B

Athletes will be invited to inspect the course for round B at the conclusion of Round A.

### 5. Starting order

5.1. The starting order for round A will follow the reverse order of Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition the starting order will follow the reverse order of Penalties incurred in the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition as well as the round replacing the second round of the team Competition. In the event of equality of Penalties, the Score of the first Competition will decide the starting order. The 25<sup>th</sup> qualifier will, therefore, start as number one.

5.2. The starting order for round B will follow the reverse order of total Penalties incurred in round A of the final Competition, as well as in the first and second Horse. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition the starting order will follow the reverse order of total Penalties incurred in round A of the final Competition, the first Competition and the first round of the second Competition, as well as the round replacing the second round of the team Competition. The Athlete with the most Penalties will start first, the Athlete with the least Penalties will

start last. In the event of Athletes with equality of Penalties, the Score of the first Competition will decide their starting order.

6. Individual Placing

The individual placing is determined by adding together for each Athlete the Penalties incurred in the first Competition, as well as the two rounds of the second Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off if there is one) and the two rounds A and B of the third Competition. For those individuals and members of teams not qualified for the second round of the team Competition their Score in the second round qualifier counts instead of the second round of the team Competition.

The Athlete with the least Penalties will be placed first and declared the Continental champion.

In the event of equality for one of the first three places after round B of the third Competition, there will be a jump-off against the clock at a speed of 350 m per minute over eight obstacles from the courses of rounds A and B. The Athletes will be invited to inspect the jump-off course.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first place and the second place.

If after the jump-off there is equality of Penalties and time for one of the first three places, Athletes concerned will be placed equal.

## **ARTICLE 17      PRIZES**

1. Prize money will not be offered. Prizes in kind will be awarded after the first Competition to the 12 best Athletes, after the second Competition for teams to the six best teams only and after the third Competition to the best 12 overall placed Athletes.
2. FEI gold, silver and bronze medals will be awarded to each member of the three best placed teams in the Team Final and to the individuals placed first, second and third in the Individual Final.

**ANNEX XI RULES FOR PONY RIDERS****CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION****ARTICLE 1 GENERAL**

1. Pony Riders Competitions are an important element in the development of equestrian sport around the world.
2. The objective of the following set of rules is to standardise Pony Events, taking into consideration specific problems applying to Pony Riding.

**ARTICLE 2 PRIORITY OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. In all matters not covered by the present Annex, the GRs, the VRs and the JRs shall apply.

**CHAPTER II DEFINITION OF A PONY RIDER AND OF A PONY****ARTICLE 3 PONY COMPETITOR**

1. An Athlete may compete as a Pony Rider from the beginning of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 12 until the end of the year in which he reaches the age of 16.
2. No Pony Rider may be classified as a professional.

**ARTICLE 4 DEFINITION OF A PONY**

1. A pony is a small equine whose height at the withers, having been measured on a smooth level surface, does not exceed 1.48 m without shoes.
  - 1.1 A height allowance is made for Ponies being measured at FEI Events; for Ponies being measured at an FEI Event the Pony's height must not exceed a maximum of 1.50 m without shoes or a maximum of 1.51 m with shoes (refer to VRs Art. 1042). Refer to Art. 13 of this Annex for details on pony measurement.
  - 1.2 In order to participate in international Events and Championships for Ponies, an equine must be registered with the FEI as a Pony. Ponies may not participate in CSI(O)s for Children (Refer to Annex XII, Art. 3.2). Equines registered as Ponies may participate, at the discretion of the Organising Committee, in certain competitions at CSIs, providing the maximum height of obstacles in the initial round does not exceed 1.35 m.
2. In any international Events and Championships, Ponies must be at least six years old.

**CHAPTER III INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS****ARTICLE 5 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS**

1. The following types of Jumping Events for Pony Riders competing on ponies are established: International Event (CSIP), Official International Events (CSIOP) and Championships.
2. A CSIP is an international Event open to individual Athletes from the host NF and from an unrestricted number of foreign NFs.
  - 2.1 CSIP Events may be categorised as Events on borrowed ponies in which case they must be clearly identified as such i.e. CSIP (on borrowed ponies).
  - 2.2 Strictly unofficial team Competitions, which may not be described as a "Nations Cup", may be organised in these Events.
  - 2.3 At least three Jumping Competitions must be open to foreign Athletes and must be held under the FEI Rules.
3. A CSIOP is an international Event open to three or more NFs represented by teams.
  - 3.1. It must include the official Competitions for teams and individuals as specified in the rules of the appropriate disciplines.
  - 3.2. Not more than two CSIOPs may be run during one calendar year in the same country, one indoor and one outdoor.
  - 3.3. A CSIOP may, at the discretion of the Secretary General of the FEI, be allowed into the calendar during the year, provided it does not interfere with any international Event for ponies already inserted in the calendar.
  - 3.4. The Event is open to one team from the host nation and one from each of the foreign NFs.
  - 3.5. A pony team of any Discipline consists of four Athletes and ponies of which the results of the best three count. A team of three is acceptable.
  - 3.6. A CSIOP and a CSIP may be held together.
4. International Team Events



These are possible in accordance with the JRs (see JRs Art. 265.2).

5. International Events with borrowed ponies (see GRs Art. 111).
- 5.1. By agreement of the FEI Director Jumping, CSIPs and CSIOPs may be organised using ponies provided by the OC. This is not allowed in the Continental Championships.
- 5.2. The rules for Events with borrowed Horses as outlined in Article 4.3. of the Rules for Children Events must be applied.
6. All entries for Events, including Championships, to which these Rules apply must specify the pony or ponies on which each Athlete is entered and, no Athlete may ride any pony other than the one with which he has been entered.

## **ARTICLE 6 CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. Each year, a Continental Championship in Jumping may be organised within each Continent. Jumping, Dressage and Eventing Continental Championships for Pony Riders should be, as far as possible, organised within the same Event.
2. The Continental Championships will, as far as possible, be organised during the long school holidays (for Europe, this is mid-July to mid-August).
3. The Continental Championships will be held outdoors.
4. The non-Open Continental Championships must be restricted to all NFs included in the Continent concerned. Acceptance of NF entries by the Jumping Committee from outside Europe will depend on whether sufficient space is available at the Event in question. Athletes from NFs outside Europe in non-Open FEI European Championships will neither be entitled to receive titles or medals.
5. The FEI approves the organisation of CSIOPs and Championships. NFs wishing to organise a Championship must apply as set forth in the GRs.
6. The Championships must be organised in strict accordance with the GRs, the Rules of the Discipline concerned and the present specific Rules.
7. Continental Championships may only be held if at least four NFs are represented, except outside Europe where they may be held with any number of regional teams from at least two NFs, including the host NF. An NF, which withdraws after the closing date for the entries and before the start of the Championship is, however, considered as represented.
8. Only teams and/or individuals officially entered by their NF may participate.
9. A Pony Rider and/or pony may only compete in one Discipline in any one calendar year at the same Event.

## **ARTICLE 7 ELIGIBILITY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. A Pony Rider may compete in Competitions for Young Riders, Juniors and/or Children - if of the appropriate age - without losing his status as a Pony Rider.
2. A Pony Rider or Junior or Child may never ride in a Competition for their category and also in a Competition for Seniors, a Competition for Amateurs or a Competition for Young Horses at the same Event (see JRs Art. 255).
3. Athletes of the appropriate age may take part in Competitions and Championships of more than one Category, but in each Discipline only in one Category of the Continental Championships in any one calendar year (see GRs Art. 124.1).

## **ARTICLE 8 EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES**

1. Events
 

OCs of Events open to Pony Riders are free to offer and negotiate financial and accommodation assistance, either in hotels, or youth hostels or with private families, with the NFs of the invited Athletes.
2. Championships and CSIOPs
  - 2.1. NFs are responsible for the travelling expenses of their Chefs d'Equipe, Athletes, grooms and ponies to and from the location of the Championships and CSIOPs.
  - 2.2. For the OCs the same applies as under paragraph 1 above but the following must be respected, as a minimum:
    - Stabling and fodder for the ponies must be provided free of charge;
    - possibility for the grooms to stay in the immediate vicinity of the stables.
  - 2.3. The GRs apply in the case of Officials.
3. All privileges are to be awarded from one day before the Event and the Championships until one day after.
4. Reasonable entry fees may be charged and must be approved by the FEI. For the European Championship, the maximum entry fee per pony is € 500.
5. The Chefs d'Equipe are responsible for the behaviour of their team and/or individuals throughout the Event. They and their NF are responsible for any damages that occur. If the Athletes are not lodged in private homes the Chefs d'Equipe must stay with their team and/or individuals.

The Appeal Committee has the authority to assess any costs for damages. The Ground Jury and/or the Appeal Committee may impose a fine according to FEI legal procedure and has the right to disqualify the team and/or individuals for unacceptable behaviour at any stage throughout the Event.

## **ARTICLE 9 PRIZES**

1. Prize money may be offered at CSIPs (Article 9 of the Rules for Young Riders and Juniors applies) but is forbidden at Championships.
2. Prizes in kind must be awarded at Championships according to the provisions of Art. 9.3 of the Rules for Young Riders and Juniors. The approximate value of the prizes in kind must be stated in the Schedule. Chefs d'Equipe of placed teams must receive a plaque; the Chefs d'Equipe of the best three teams must also receive a prize in kind.

## **ARTICLE 10 SCHOOLING OF PONIES**

1. Under penalty of Elimination, it is prohibited for an Athlete's pony to be schooled by anybody mounted in the saddle, other than the Athlete himself in or outside the town where the Event or a Championship is held, as from 18.00 hours on the day preceding the commencement of the first Competition of an Event until the conclusion of the whole Event. However, lunging, work in hand, etc., by someone other than the Athlete, under the supervision of the FEI stewards, is permitted.
2. Ponies may not leave the stables, the Competition area, or the areas supervised by Stewards for any purpose unless authorised by a recognised FEI Official of the Event or a Veterinarian acting in the interest of the health and welfare of the pony.
3. Each pony keeps the same identification number provided by the OC on arrival, throughout the Event. It is compulsory that this number is always worn by the pony whenever it leaves the stables, so that it may be identified by all Officials including the Stewards. Failure to display this identification number clearly incurs first a warning and, in the case of repeated offence, a fine imposed on the Athlete by the Ground Jury or the Appeal Committee.

## **ARTICLE 11 OFFICIALS**

1. At CSIP Events the appointment of Judges must be in accordance with JRs Art. 259 as for CSI2\* Events.
2. The OC should be strongly advised to include in the Ground Jury and the Appeal Committee, Officials who have experience of Pony Events.
3. For the Continental Championships in Jumping, the President of the Ground Jury, the Technical Delegate and the Foreign Veterinary Delegate must be appointed by the FEI. (see Articles 22.9 and 22.11 of this Annex). For the Continental Championships in Jumping, a minimum of two Judges of the Ground Jury must be selected from the list of Level 3 or Level 4 Jumping Judges. The other Judges must be selected from the list of Level 2 Jumping Judges at least.
4. In Jumping Competitions if there is a water jump, there must be an additional Judge who is a member of the Ground Jury.  
At Championships and in the team Competitions and Grand Prix at CSIOPs the water jump Judge must be at least a National Judge (see JRs Art. 259.1).

## **ARTICLE 12 PASSPORTS**

1. See GRs Art. 137 and VRs Art. 1027.

## **ARTICLE 13 PONY MEASUREMENT**

1. VRs Art. 1043, 1044 and 1045 and GRs Art. 137 apply.
2. All ponies competing at the CH-EU-P will be measured on site before starting the Competition. Random measurement at various CSIPs may also take place.
3. Where FEI pony measurement is to be carried out before the Horse inspection, the period of an Event shall commence with the first pony measurement. Such provision shall prevail over the GRs.

## **ARTICLE 14 SCHEDULE**

1. Article 12 of the Rules for Juniors applies.

## **ARTICLE 15 RULES FOR PONY JUMPING EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. Pony Jumping Events and Championships must be conducted in accordance with the JRs except where specifically modified below.

## **ARTICLE 16 OBSTACLES**

1. At Championships and CSIOPs the course shall consist of 10 to 12 obstacles requiring no more than 15 efforts. The maximum number of combinations shall be one double and one triple or three doubles.
- 1.1. At other Events courses shall not exceed the above specifications and should, if necessary, be modified according to the standard of the Athletes and ponies taking part.
2. Obstacles must be strong and impressive in appearance. It must be taken into consideration that ponies are lighter in weight than Horses and must be able to effect knock-downs.
3. In Championships the maximum height and spread of obstacles, except in a jump-off, shall be as follows :
  - 3.1. In the Consolation Competition dimensions may not exceed the height of 1.25 m, spread 1.40 m (1.60 m for the triple bars).
  - 3.2. In the qualifying Competitions and the team Championship, height 1.30 m, spread 1.40 m (1.60 m for the triple bars).
  - 3.3. In the individual Championship, height 1.35 m, spread 1.45 m (1.60 m for the triple bars).
4. At CSIOPs the maximum height and spread shall not exceed those specified for similar Competitions at a Championship.
- 4.1. At CSIP Events, the same maximum dimensions shall apply, but a height of 1.20 m and a spread of 1.30 m in the first round are recommended.
- 4.2. At CSIP Events on borrowed Horses the height of the fences must not exceed 1.20 m.
5. In any jump-off the obstacles may (subject to JRs Art. 246.1) be raised and spread by a maximum of ten centimetres (10 cm) but may never exceed a height of 1.40 m or a spread of 1.50 m (1.60 m for triple bars).
6. The water jump, including the take-off, may not exceed 3.30 m. At Championships and CSIOPs a minimum of three metres including take-off is recommended. If the water jump is used in the team Competition, respectively the Nations Cup Competition, at Championships or CSIOPs, a vertical obstacle must be placed over the water jump in the second round; this obstacle is judged as a vertical obstacle, not as a water jump (see JRs Art. 211.10).
7. The minimum distance between the obstacles of a combination is seven metres, and the maximum distance is 11 metres.

## **ARTICLE 17 PRACTICE OBSTACLES**

1. Obstacles in the schooling areas may not exceed the dimensions (height and spread) of those to be used in the relevant round of the Competition for which the Athletes are preparing.
2. For Pony Riders schooling over obstacles without reference to a particular Competition the maximum height of 1.35 m and spread of 1.45 m must be observed.

## **ARTICLE 18 SPEED**

1. The speed for all Competitions must be 350 m per minute.

## **ARTICLE 19 DRESS AND SALUTE**

1. When mounted protective Headgear secured by a three point retention harness is compulsory.
2. All Athletes should acknowledge the Ground Jury by an inclination of the head without removing their Headgear.
3. Dark coat or club uniform coat. White or fawn breeches or jodhpurs with boots. White shirt and tie or hunting stock. Spurs optional but if used must be made of smooth metal. If there is a shank it must not be more than 4 cm long, measured from the boot to the tip of the spur, and must point only towards the rear; the end of the shank must be blunt. If the shank is curved, the spurs must be worn only with the shank directed downwards. Rowels are not permitted. Hammer spurs are allowed provided they meet the above requirements. Metal or plastic "Impulse spurs" with round hard plastic or metal knobs and "Dummy spurs" with no shank are allowed. Spurs with flat disks are allowed. The contact surface with the horse and all edges must be smooth and rounded.

Maximum length of whip: 75 cm.

## **ARTICLE 20 LOSS OF HEADGEAR AND UNFASTENED RETENTION HARNESS**

Refer to JRs Art. 256.1.4.

## **ARTICLE 21 INSPECTION OF SADDLERY**

1. The following applies throughout the Competitions grounds at all times from the time of arrival until the conclusion of the entire Event or championship:
2. Reins must be attached to the bit or the connecting piece. Only running unrestricted martingales are allowed. Double bridles, and blinkers are not allowed. The following types of bits and nosebands are allowed:

*Bits.* Bits may be made of any material (metal, rubber, plastic, leather...) but must be used in the original manufactured state. Double bridles are not allowed. The minimum diameter of the bit shall be 10 mm.

All snaffles: jointed, double jointed or unjointed

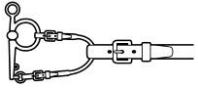
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All gags: normal snaffle gag, jointed or unjointed

NB: No wire, double wire, or chain bits may be used.

All pelhams: jointed, double jointed or unjointed

soft twisted  
Cheeks maximum length 15 cm



Example of a connecting piece for single rein - pelham

NB: All pelhams must be used with one single rein. The rein must either be used with a connecting piece or attached to the larger of the two rings of the bit.

All Kimberwicks

All peassoas: Maximum 4 rings (including the top ring for the cheek piece). Reins may be attached to any ring; double reins may be used, with or without a connecting piece.

jointed, double jointed or unjointed  
Cheeks, maximum length 16cm

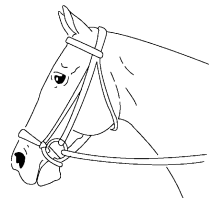
Hackamore: Cheeks may not exceed 17cm (Measurement should be carried out in a straight line from the middle of the upper ring to the middle of the lower ring. For models with a "curb chain" or strap, measurement should be taken from the middle of the bottom ring to the point of junction where the shank connects to the nose piece. Refer to the Memorandum for International Jumping Events on the FEI website for photographs.)

NB: No hackamore may be used in combination with a bit.

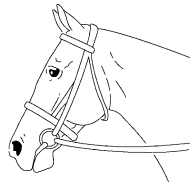
Nosebands. The following nosebands are permitted for Pony Jumping Events:

Nosebands must be flat. Nosebands constructed from materials other than leather are not permitted. A small disc of sheepskin may be used in the intersection of the two leather straps of a crossed noseband.

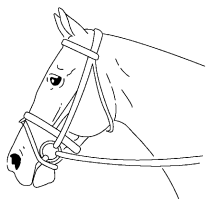
Dropped noseband



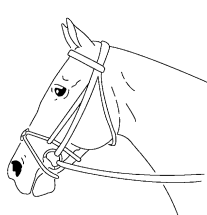
Cavesson noseband



Flash noseband



Crossed noseband



Micklem bridle



3. The Ground Jury has the right, based on veterinary advice, to forbid the use of a bit or spurs that may cause injury to the pony.
4. A steward must be appointed to check the saddlery of each pony before it enters the arena.

## **ARTICLE 22 CONTINENTAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS**

### **1. Entries**

After the approval of the Schedule by the FEI Jumping Director, the invitations, together with the Schedule, are sent to the NFs of the appropriate Continent by the host NF.

### **2. Teams**

2.1. Each NF may enter one team of not more than six Athletes and six ponies from which five Athletes and five ponies are allowed to travel to the Championship and four to start in the team Championship.

2.2. The OC must extend its invitation to a Chef d'Equipe who will be given the same privileges as the Athletes.

### **3. Individuals instead of teams**

An NF which cannot send a complete team may enter one or two individual Athletes with one pony each.

4. NFs are entitled to send one groom for each two ponies with a maximum of two grooms per team.

5. The entries shall be made in three phases in accordance with the GRs.

### **6. Competition Format**

6.1. The Championship comprises three Competitions, each taking place on a different day. The total Penalties incurred by the three best placed Athletes of each Nation in the first Competition and in each round of the second Competition count towards the team placing and the total Penalties incurred in each of the three Championship Competitions count towards the individual placing.

#### **6.2 First Qualifying Competition for the Individual Championship (open to all Athletes)**

6.2.1 This is a Table A Competition against the clock without a jump-off in the event of equality for the first place (see JRs Art. 238.2.1). If an Athlete has been eliminated or does not complete his round for any reason, he shall be penalised with 20 Penalties more than the Athlete with the highest number of Penalties. If the Athlete concerned has himself received the highest number of Penalties before being eliminated or retiring, 20 Penalties will be added to his Score.

6.2.2 There will be a draw for the starting order of the Athletes in the first Competition, conducted according to JRs Art. 252.

#### **6.3 Second Qualifying Competition (Team Championship, Second Qualifying Competition for the Individual Championship)**

6.3.1 This Competition is run over two identical rounds according to Table A not against the clock with a jump-off against the clock in case of equality for first, second and/or third place.

This Competition is open only to Athletes and Ponies which have taken part in the first qualifying Competition, the team classification only affecting the members of the teams who have declared to start.

#### **6.3.2 Starting Order in the Team Competition.**

Starting order in the Team Competition will be according to a draw in the first round, conducted according to JRs Art. 252. In the second round the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of total Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes per team in the first Competition and by the best three Athletes per team in the first round of the Team Competition.

In the second round individual Athletes will start before the teams.

In the case of individuals or teams with equal Penalties, the same starting order will be retained as in the first round.

The starting order in the possible jump-off will revert to the starting order in the second round.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and first places.

The second round is open only to the ten best teams following the first qualifying Competition and the first round of the Team Competition and those teams tied for 10<sup>th</sup> place.

Before the ten best placed teams and those tied for 10<sup>th</sup> place begin their second round, all individuals and team members not qualified for the second round may take part in a second round qualifier for the third Competition. There must be a break of at least 30 minutes between the second round qualifier and the second round of the Team Competition.

#### **6.4 Farewell Competition**

OCs must provide one individual Farewell Competition for those who are not qualified to participate in the Individual Final of the Championship. This Competition is judged under Table A against the clock with one jump-off against the clock in the event of equality of Penalties for first place (see JRs Art. 238.2.2).

#### **6.5 Third Competition (Individual Final)**

6.5.1 This Competition consists of two different rounds A and B judged under Table A not against the clock with a jump-off against the clock in case of equality for the first, second and/or third place (see JRs Art. 273.3.2).

Qualified to participate are the top 60% of the Athletes (including those placed equal for last place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and the second Competitions. The number of Athletes permitted to participate must not be less than 15 and not more than 30.

They must have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed the second Competition (without having been eliminated or without retiring). If, for any reason, one or more of the qualified Athletes are unable to start, they will not be replaced by followers.

All Athletes who complete Round A go forward to Round B. The Penalties in the two rounds are added.

The Athletes will be invited to inspect the course of Round B.

#### 6.5.2 Starting Order

The starting order for Round A will follow the reverse order of Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions of the Championship. In the event of equality of Penalties for any placing, the result of the first Competition will be the deciding factor for the starting order. The lowest placed qualified Athlete will therefore start first.

The starting order for Round B will follow the reverse order of the Penalties incurred in the first and second Competitions as well as Round A. The Athlete with the greatest number of Penalties will start first, the Athlete with the least Penalties will start last. In the event of Athletes with equal Penalties, the result of the first Competition will be the deciding factor for the starting order.

### 7. Declaration of Starters

7.1 The declaration of starters will take place after the training session, which must be provided on the day preceding the first qualifying Competition. At a time fixed by the OC, the Chefs d'Equipe will designate in writing the four members of their team and/or their individual Athletes and the names of their Ponies (a single and same Pony for each Athlete for the three Competitions of the Championship) as starters in the Competitions of the Championship. The fifth pair (Athlete/Pony) may take part in the first and second Competitions as an individual and in the individual Final Competition if qualified.

7.2 The substitution of a team member by the fifth pair (Athlete/Pony) may only be allowed in case of an accident or illness either to one of the four team Athletes or to one of the four Ponies, up until one hour before the start of the first qualifying Competition, provided the Chef d'Equipe obtains the approval of the Ground Jury.

7.3 If the Championship is held during a CSI the OC may allow the Athletes participating in the Championship to take part with different Ponies in the Competitions of the CSI. The Ponies to be ridden in the Championship must, however, be declared before arrival at the Event and may not be substituted.

### 8. Obstacles and Courses

Refer to Article 16 above.

### 9. Ground Jury and Foreign Technical Delegate

The President of the Ground Jury and the Foreign Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director, in consultation with the Jumping Committee. Their appointment as well as that of the members of the Ground Jury must comply with the requirements set forth in the GRs.

### 10. Appeal Committee

The composition of the Appeal Committee and the appointment of its President and members must comply with the requirements of the GRs.

An Appeal Committee is not compulsory for CSIP Events.

### 11. Veterinary Commission

The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of its President and members must comply with the requirements set forth in the VRs.

### 12. Prizes and Souvenirs

The allocation of prizes and souvenirs must comply with the requirements set forth in Article 9 of the present Annex.

13. In all circumstances not covered by the present Annex, the Ground Jury, being guided by the GRs of the FEI and the JRs will give such decisions as they consider will best produce a fair classification for the Championship.

### 14. Falls

The first fall of the Athlete or pony eliminates the Athlete from the Competition. This includes Championship Competitions, as well as Nations Cup Competitions. Nevertheless, the Athlete may take part in the second round of the Nations Cup Competition, providing that the official doctor and the Ground Jury give their approval. The Athlete eliminated is penalised with 20 Penalty points more than the worst placed Athlete in the concerned round.

### 15. Team Classification

15.1 The team classification is decided by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each team in the first qualifying Competition and in each of the two rounds of the Team Championship. For those teams not qualified for the second round the results of the best three Athletes per team in the first round count.

15.2 Team Athletes not completing the first or second round receive 20 Penalties more than the worst placed team Athlete who has finished that particular round.

- 15.3 In the case of equality of Penalties between the teams for first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is compulsory in which all team Athletes participate. If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and second place. The classification in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties and the times incurred by the best three Athletes in each team. In case of further equality of Penalties and time, the teams will be placed equal.
- 15.4 In case of equality of Penalties for any other placing, the teams will be placed equal.
- 15.5 In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for this Competition.
16. Individual Classification
- 16.1. The individual placing is determined for each Athlete by adding the Penalties incurred in the first qualifying Competition, both rounds in the second qualifying Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off, if any) and in rounds A and B of the third Competition (Individual Final).
- 16.2. In case of equality of Penalties for the first, second and/or third place a jump-off, against the clock, is compulsory (see Article 23.4 of this Annex). If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and second place. In case of further equality of Penalties and time, the Athletes will be placed equal.
- 16.3. Two classifications for the individual Final Competition must be provided; one for the individual Medal winners and another for all Athletes taking part in this Competition. For the latter classification only the results from Rounds A and B count. Athletes with equality of Penalties are placed equal.

## **ARTICLE 23           EVENTS OTHER THAN CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. CSIOPs
- 1.1. The Schedule must include an official team Competition and a Grand Prix according to JRs Art. 238 or Articles 273.3.1, 273.3.2 or 273.3.3. The OC may, with the permission of the FEI, invite additional Pony Riders of the host NF.
- 1.2. Subject to paragraph 2 below, the relevant provisions of Article 22 of this Annex will apply to CSIOPs.
2. CSIPs and CSIOPs, other than Championships
- 2.1. Official and unofficial team Competitions, when held, will so far as practicable, be run according to JRs Art. 264.
- 2.2. There will be no jump-off for first place in team or individual Competitions except, where specified in the JRs or the Schedule.
- 2.3. OCs should not feel bound to adhere to the programme of Competitions prescribed for a Championship but, subject to paragraph 1.1 above (CSIOPs), are encouraged to formulate a schedule which they consider to be the most suitable for the occasion, enjoyable for the Athletes and entertaining for spectators.
- 2.4. While Competitions under JRs Art. 238 should not be neglected, thought should also be given to Competitions under Table C and the special Competitions listed in JRs Art. 265 to 271, but Competitions under JRs Art. 262.2 (Puissance) and JRs Art. 262.3 (Six Bar and Obstacles in Line Competitions) are not permitted.
- 2.5. Where natural obstacles are available, a Competition entitled "Pony Derby" may be organised on the lines of JRs Art. 277 but without a specified length of course. This Competition may be run over one round under Table A or against the clock or under Table A with one round and a jump-off or under Table C (see JRs Art. 277).
- 2.6. Competitions for boys and girls may be organised, except for a Championship.
3. Falls
- Refer to Article 22.14

**ANNEX XII RULES FOR CHILDREN'S EVENTS****CHAPTER I INTRODUCTION****ARTICLE 1 GENERAL**

1. The participation of Children is an important element in the development of equestrian sport throughout the world.
2. The object of the following set of Rules is to standardise the various types of Events and Competitions for Children worldwide, taking into account specific problems applying exclusively to Children riding Horses.

**ARTICLE 2 PRIORITY OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS**

In all matters not covered by the present Rules, the GRs, the VRs and the JRs shall apply.

**CHAPTER II ELIGIBILITY****ARTICLE 3 DEFINITION OF CHILDREN**

1. A child may compete in the Children's category from the beginning of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 12 until the end of the calendar year in which he reaches the age of 14.
2. At Children's Events, Athletes may compete only on Horses. It is not allowed to compete on ponies.

**CHAPTER III INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND FEI CHAMPIONSHIPS****ARTICLE 4 TYPE OF EVENTS**

1. The following types of Jumping Events for Children competing on Horses are established: International Events (CSICH), Official International Event (CSIOCh) and Championships.
2. A CSICH is an international Event open to individual Athletes from the host NF and from an unrestricted number of foreign NFs.
  - 2.1. International Jumping Events for Children are categorized as follows: CSICH Category A (Events with own Horses) and CSICH Category B (Events with borrowed Horses).
  - 2.2. Strictly unofficial team Competitions, which may not be described as a "Nations Cup", may be organised in these Events and must be limited to three to four Athletes .
3. A CSIOCh is an Official International Event open to three or more NFs represented by teams.
  - 3.1. It must include the official Competitions for teams and individuals as specified in the rules of the appropriate disciplines.
  - 3.2. Not more than two CSIOCh Events may be run during the same year in the same NF, one indoor and one outdoor.
  - 3.3. A CSIOCh may, at the discretion of the FEI Secretary General, be allowed into the calendar during the year, provided it does not interfere with any International Event for Children already inserted in the calendar.
  - 3.4. These Events are open to one team from the host NF and one from each of the foreign NFs.
    - 3.4.1. For invitations at CSIOCh Events the OC has the choice of using one of the following formulas:
      - as per Articles 19.2.1. and 19.3.1 of this Annex; or
      - as per JRs Art. 249.1. and 249.2.
  - 3.5. A team Competition in any Discipline consists of four Athletes and four Horses, of which the results of the best three count. A team of three is acceptable.
4. International Events with borrowed Horses
  - 4.1. By agreement of the Secretary General of the FEI, CSICH Events and CSIOCh Events may be organised using borrowed Horses provided by the OC.
  - 4.2. Continental Championships may not be organised with borrowed Horses.
  - 4.3. With the approval of the Secretary General of the FEI, various formulas may be used by the OC at Events where borrowed Horses are provided, but the recommended formulas are as follows:
    - 4.3.1. Each Athlete of the host NF provides two Horses. A draw is held to match foreign Athletes with host Athletes. Another draw takes place to allocate one of the Horses of the host Athlete to the foreign Athlete. The Athletes of the host NF rides the Horse which has not been allocated to the foreign Athlete.
    - 4.3.2. Each Athlete of the host NF provides two Horses. Each foreign Athlete draws a Horse for each of the Athletes from the host NF. The remaining Horses are pooled together and are allocated to the foreign Athletes by means of a draw.



- 4.3.3. A draw takes place to allocate all Horses provided by the OC to Athletes present.
- 4.3.4. Each Athlete of the host NF provides one Horse. A draw takes place to match foreign Athletes with host country Athletes. Each Horse is ridden by a host Competition NF Athletes and by a foreign Athlete. In the first Competition, the host NF Athlete rides his Horse first.
- 4.3.5. The following rules apply to all Competitions with borrowed Horses:
- 4.3.6. Sufficient reserve Horses must only be provided for foreign Children. Horses that are obviously unsuitable for foreign Athletes must be replaced by reserve Horses. Such a substitution may only be done with the approval of the Ground Jury.
- 4.3.7. Each Athlete will be given the opportunity to school the Horse obtained in the draw at least once, during a riding session lasting one hour.
- 4.3.8. Not more than a total of six obstacles may be jumped during any training session. Cross poles are not included in the above number.
- 4.3.9. The OC will establish the Rules governing schooling sessions.
- 4.3.10. Liverpools, dry ditches and natural obstacles such as banks, etc. may not be used.
- 4.3.11. Horses must be allocated at least two days before the first Competition.
- 4.3.12. Horses may only be ridden once daily for a maximum of one hour.
- 4.3.13. The Horse's trainer or any other person, providing he has received the owner's authorisation, may school the Horse during the Event.
- 4.3.14. The Horse must be ridden using the bit which he usually works with and in which he is presented at the time of the draw. The bit may be changed only with the agreement of the owner.
- 4.3.15. Three attempts at jumping an obstacle count as one obstacle jumped. One double or one triple counts as one obstacle.
- 4.3.16. The following and above rules apply for Competitions with borrowed Horses which are run in accordance with paragraph 4.3.4. above, unless otherwise stated below.
- 4.3.17. During the Competition days, the first and second Athletes may jump six obstacles each.
- 4.3.18. The number of obstacles in any course may not exceed eight in total, that is, a maximum of ten efforts. Two doubles or one triple may be used.
- 4.3.19. In the first Competition, Horses must be ridden first by the Athletes of the host NF.
- 4.3.20. If there are not sufficient foreign Athletes to match the number of host NF Athletes, there will be a draw among foreign Athletes to decide which foreign Athletes will ride the surplus Horses, in order to ensure that all Horses start twice per day.

## **ARTICLE 5 CONTINENTAL CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. Each year, a Continental Championship may be organised within each Continent (see GRs Art. 106).
2. The Championships will, as far as possible, be organised during the long school holidays (for Europe, this is mid-July to mid-August).
3. The Championships will be held outdoors.
4. The Continental Championships are open to all NFs within the Continent. NFs outside the Continent may be invited if authorised by the Secretary General of the FEI. Any such teams and individuals invited are eligible for prizes but not for medals or title classification.
5. The FEI approves the organisation of CSIOCh and Championships. NFs wishing to organise a Championship must apply as set forth in the GRs.
6. The Championship must be organised in strict accordance with the GRs, the Rules of the Discipline concerned and the present specific Rules.
7. Continental Championships may only be held if at least four NFs, including the host NF, must be represented, except outside Europe where Continental Championships may be held with any number of regional teams from at least two NFs, including the host NF. The NFs concerned will determine the basis of the regional teams. A NF, which withdraws after the closing date for the entries and before the start of the Championship, is, however, considered as represented.
8. The maximum entry fee per horse that may be charged for the European Jumping Championship is EUR 400. For other Continental Championships reasonable entry fees may be charged and must be approved by the FEI.
9. Only teams and/or individuals officially entered by their NF may participate.

## **ARTICLE 6 ELIGIBILITY AT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. Athletes of the appropriate age may take part in Competitions and Championships of more than one Category, but in each Discipline only in one Category of the Continental Championships in any one calendar year.
- 1.1 A Child who, during the year he reaches the age of 14, has taken part in a Continental Jumping Championship Competition for Juniors, will no longer be eligible to compete in a Children's Championship.

- 1.2 From the year in which they reach their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday, Children may take part in certain international Competitions for Seniors with the express permission of their NF (refer to JRs Art. 255).
- 1.3 A Child or Pony Rider or Junior may never ride in a Competition for their category and also in a Competition for Seniors, a Competition for Amateurs or a Competition for Young Horses at the same Event (refer to JRs Art. 255).

## **ARTICLE 7 EXPENSES AND PRIVILEGES**

1. Events
 

OCs of Events open to Children are free to offer and negotiate financial and accommodation assistance, either in hotels, or youth hostels or with private families.
2. Championships and CSIOCh Events
  - 2.1. NFs are responsible for the travelling expenses of their Chefs d'Equipe, Athletes, grooms and Horses to and from the location of the Championship and of CSIOCh Events.
  - 2.2. For the OC the same applies as under paragraph 1 above but the following must be respected, as a minimum:
    - Stabling and fodder for the Horses must be provided free of charge by the OC;
    - possibility for the grooms to stay in the immediate vicinity of the stables.
  - 2.3. The GRs apply in the case of Officials.
3. All privileges are to be awarded from one day before the Event until one day after.
4. The Chefs d'Equipe are responsible for the behaviour of their teams and individuals throughout the Event. They and their NF are responsible for any damages that occur. If the Athletes are not lodged in private homes, the Chefs d'Equipe must stay with their team and individuals.

The Appeal Committee has the authority to assess any costs for damages. A fine may be imposed according to FEI legal system, the Ground Jury and/or the Appeal Committee may impose a fine and has the right to disqualify teams and individuals for unacceptable behaviour at any stage during the Event.

## **ARTICLE 8 PRIZES**

1. Prize money is not allowed at Events for Children.
2. Prizes in kind must be awarded at Events and Championships for Children according to the provisions of Article 9 of the Rules for Young Riders and Juniors. The approximate value of the prizes in kind must be stated in the Schedule. Chefs d'Equipe of placed teams must receive a plaque; the Chefs d'Equipe of the best three teams must also receive a prize in kind.

## **ARTICLE 9 HORSES**

1. Schooling
 

Under penalty of Elimination, it is prohibited for an Athlete's Horse to be schooled by anybody mounted in the saddle, other than the Athlete himself, in or outside the town where the Event or a Championship is held, as from 18.00 hours on the day preceding the commencement of the first Competition of an Event or a Championship until the conclusion of the whole Event or Championship. However, lunging, work in hand, etc., by someone other than the Athlete, under the supervision of the FEI stewards, is permitted. The trainer or a person delegated by the trainer with the owner's approval may be permitted to school the Athlete's Horse within the time frame described above during Events for borrowed Horses only.
2. Control
 

At the discretion of the Ground Jury, a child unable to control his Horse may be forced to retire before the Competition begins or during his rounds and/or from the entire Event with the Horse in question.
3. Identification
 

Horses must be stabled in the designated stables throughout the entire Event. Failure to do so will entail disqualification.

Each Horse keeps the same identification number throughout the Event as provided by the OC upon arrival. It is compulsory that this number be worn always by the Horse whenever it leaves the stables, so that it may be identified by all Officials including the stewards. Failure to display this identification number incurs first a warning and, in case of a repeated offence, a fine will be imposed on the Athlete by the Ground Jury or the Appeal Committee according to FEI legal procedure.

## **ARTICLE 10 OFFICIALS**

1. At Category A CSIOCh Events, the appointment of Judges must be in accordance with JRs Art. 259 as for CSI2\* Events. At Category B CSIOCh Events, the appointment of Judges must be in accordance with JRs Art. 259 as for CSI1\* Events.
2. The OCs are strongly advised to include in the Ground Jury and the Appeal Committee, Officials who have experience with Competitions for Children.

3. For the Continental Championships, the President of the Ground Jury, the Technical Delegate and Foreign Veterinary Delegate must be appointed by the FEI (see Articles 26 and 27 of this Annex).

## **ARTICLE 11          PASSPORTS**

1. GRs Art. 137 and VRs Art. 1027 apply.

## **ARTICLE 12          SCHEDULE**

1. Article 12 of the Rules for Young Riders and Juniors applies.

## **ARTICLE 13          RULES FOR CHILDREN'S JUMPING EVENTS AND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. Children's Jumping Events and Championships must be conducted in accordance with the JRs except where specifically modified below.

## **ARTICLE 14          OBSTACLES**

1. No obstacle at a CSIOCh or a CSIOCh may exceed 1.30 m in height and 1.40 m in spread, except in case of a jump-off, which must consist of a minimum of six obstacles and a maximum of eight obstacles of which a maximum of four may be built at the maximum height of 1.30 m. Refer to Art. 23 for the maximum height of obstacles at the Continental Championship.
2. No banks, mounds or ramps are allowed. A water jump with a maximum spread of 2.50 m, over which is placed a vertical obstacle with any number of poles but with the use of FEI-approved safety cups, is allowed; this obstacle is judged as a vertical obstacle, not as a water jump (see JRs Art. 211.10). If the water jump is used in the team Competition, respectively the Nations Cup Competition, at Championships or CSIOChs, a vertical obstacle must be placed over the water jump in the second round; this obstacle is judged as a vertical obstacle, not as a water jump (see JRs Art. 211.10).
3. Liverpools are allowed.

## **ARTICLE 15          SPEED**

1. The speed for Competitions at a CSIOCh and Championships must be 350 m per minute, the speed for other Competitions may be 300 to 350 m per minute.

## **ARTICLE 16          TABLE "C" COMPETITIONS**

1. Table "C" Competitions are not allowed.

## **ARTICLE 17          DRESS AND SALUTE**

1. Protective Headgear secured by a three point retention harness is compulsory when mounted.
2. All Athletes should acknowledge the Ground Jury by an inclination of the head without removing their Headgear.
3. Dark coat or club uniform coat, white or fawn breeches or jodhpurs with boots and white shirt and tie or choker are allowed. Spurs are optional but if used must be made of smooth metal. If there is a shank it must not be more than 4 cm long, measured from the boot to the tip of the spur, and must point only towards the rear; the end of the shank must be blunt. If the shank is curved, the spurs must be worn only with the shank directed downwards. Rowels are not permitted. Hammer spurs are allowed provided they meet the above requirements. Metal or plastic "Impulse spurs" with round hard plastic or metal knobs and "Dummy spurs" with no shank are allowed. Spurs with flat disks are allowed. The contact surface with the horse and all edges must be smooth and rounded.

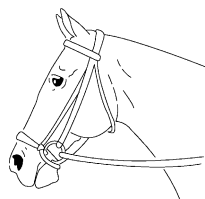
## **ARTICLE 18          SADDLERY**

1. There are no restrictions on saddles.
2. Blinkers are forbidden.
3. Standing and running martingales are allowed.
4. Reins must be attached to the bit or directly to the bridle. Gags and hackamores are allowed.
5. In the interest of safety, the stirrup iron and the stirrup leather (this also applies to safety stirrups) must hang freely from the bar at the saddle and the outside of the flap. There must be no other restrictions or attachments of any kind. The Athlete must not directly or indirectly tie any part of his body to the saddlery.
6. Athletes are forbidden to carry or use a whip more than 75 cm in length or one which is weighed at the end, in the arena, the schooling areas or anywhere on or in the immediate vicinity of the showground. No substitute for a whip may be carried. Failure to comply with this paragraph will incur Elimination.

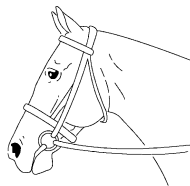
7. Paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 refer specifically to the Competition arena.
8. Nosebands must be flat. Nosebands constructed from materials other than leather are not permitted. A small disc of sheepskin may be used in the intersection of the two leather straps of a crossed noseband.

Permitted Nosebands for Children's Events:

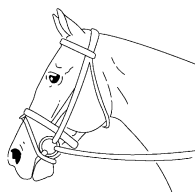
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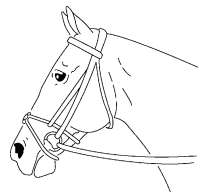
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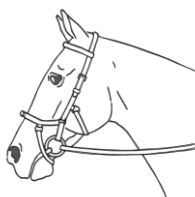
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Crossed noseband



Micklem bridle



## CHAPTER IV CONTINENTAL AND REGIONAL JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS

### ARTICLE 19 ENTRIES

1. After the approval of the Schedule by the FEI Jumping Director, the invitations, together with the Schedule, are sent to the appropriate NFs of the Continent or Region by the host NF .
2. Teams
  - 2.1. Each NF may enter one team of not more than five Athletes and five Horses. However, outside Europe, NFs concerned may determine the number of teams and the regional basis for team representation (see Article 5.7. of the present Annex). The OC must extend its invitation to a Chef d'Equipe who will be given the same privileges as the Athletes. No reserve Horse may be brought to this Championship.
  - 2.2. All five Athletes and five Horses are allowed to take part in the team (see Art. 20.1 below) and individual Competitions of the Championship in accordance with Article 20.3 below.
3. Individuals instead of Teams
  - 3.1. An NF which cannot send a team may enter one or two individual Athletes with one Horse each.
4. Holder of the Individual Championship Title –
  - 4.1 NFs are not automatically entitled to send the holder of the individual title of the FEI Championship of the preceding year to defend his title.
5. NFs are entitled to send one groom for every two Horses with a maximum of two grooms per team to CSIOCh Events and Championships.
6. Entries must be made in three phases in accordance with the GRs.
7. The FEI Bureau decides whether or not the Championship is organised as an Open Championship or as a Non-Open Championship. If it is an Open Championship, teams and individuals from NFs outside the Continent or Region in which it is

held, compete for Championship medals and titles under the same conditions as teams and individuals from the host Continent or Region.

8. It is left to the discretion of the FEI to accept, with the agreement of the Jumping Committee, entries for Non-Open Championships of teams and/or individuals from NFs outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held.

## **ARTICLE 20           DECLARATION OF STARTERS**

1. The declaration of starters will take place after the training session, which must be provided on the day preceding the first qualifying Competition. At a time fixed by the OC, the Chefs d'Equipe will designate in writing the four members of their team and/or the names of their individual Athletes and the names of their Horses (a single and same Horse for each Athlete for the three Competitions of the Championship) as starters in the Competitions of the Championship.
2. The substitution of a team member by the fifth pair (Athlete/Horse) may only be allowed in case of an accident or illness either to one of the four team Athletes or to one of the four Horses, up until one hour before the start of the first qualifying Competition, provided the Chef d'Equipe obtains the approval of the Ground Jury.
3. The fifth pair (Athlete/Horse) may take part in the first and second qualifying Competitions as an individual and in the individual Final Competition if qualified.

## **ARTICLE 21           ELIGIBILITY OF HORSES**

1. Horses
  - 1.1. Horses must be six years old or over.
  - 1.2. The Championship is open to Horses which have not competed in a Nations Cup or Grand Prix in a CSIO for Seniors during the preceding and/or current year.
  - 1.3. Horses must not have competed in any Competition for Seniors during the Event at which the Championship is being held.

## **ARTICLE 22           COMPETITIONS**

1. First Day - Training Session
 

The OC must provide a training period in the main arena with a course consisting of approximately eight obstacles including a combination. The obstacles must have a height of approximately 1.15 – 1.20 m and a spread of approximately 1.25 m. Each Athlete is permitted a maximum of 90 seconds per Horse. Dress is informal: boots, breeches, shirt and protective headgear must be worn.

The public may not be charged to enter and prizes of any kind may not be offered.
2. Second Day First Qualifying Competition for the individual Championship (Open to all Athletes)
 

Table A, against the clock with no jump-off (see JRs Art. 238.2.1).

  - 2.1. Starting order in the first qualifying Competition.
 

There will be a draw for the starting order in the first qualifying Competition, conducted according to JRs Art. 252.
3. Third Day – Second Qualifying Competition (Team Championship, Second Qualifying Competition for the Individual Championship)
  - 3.1. This Competition is run in two identical rounds according to Table A, not against the clock, with a possible jump-off against the clock, in case of equality of first, second and/or third place.
 

This Competition is open only to those Athletes and Horses which have taken part in the first Competition (see paragraph 2 above). The team classification only affects the members of the teams declared to start.
  - 3.2. Starting order in the Team Competition
 

Starting order in the first round of the Team Competition will be according to a draw, conducted according to JRs Art. 252. In the second round, the order of starting will be according to the reverse order of Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes per team in the first qualifying Competition and in the first round of the Team Competition (individuals to start before teams in the second round). In case of individuals or teams with equal Penalties, the same starting order as in the first round will be used.

The starting order in a possible jump-off will revert to the starting order of the second round.

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and first places.

The second round is only open to the ten best teams following the first qualifying Competition and the first round of the Team Competition and those teams placed *ex aequo* for 10<sup>th</sup> place.

Before the ten best placed teams and those placed *ex aequo* for the 10<sup>th</sup> place begin their second round, all individuals and team members not qualified for the second round may take part in a second round qualifier for the third Competition. There must be a break of at least 30 minutes between this second round qualifier and the second round of the Team Competition.
4. Fourth Day
  - 4.1. Farewell Competition

Open to Athletes who are not qualified for the individual Championship (under 4.2.1. hereunder). This Competition is judged under Table A, not against the clock, with one jump-off against the clock. Speed of 350 m per minute (see JRs Art. 238.1.2).

OCs must provide one individual Farewell Competition for those who are not called upon to participate in the individual Championship. The usual distribution of rosettes must be followed.

#### 4.2. Third Competition (individual Final)

##### 4.2.1. Running

This Competition consists of two rounds A and B judged under Table A, not against the clock, with a jump-off against the clock for first, second and/or third place with a speed of 350 m per minute (see JRs Art. 273.3.2).

Qualified to participate are the top 60% of Athletes (including those placed equal for the last qualifying place) according to the cumulative Penalties over the first and second qualifying Competitions. The number of Athletes permitted to participate must not be less than 15 and not more than 30.

Athletes must have taken part in the first Competition (completed or not) and have completed the second Competitions (without having been eliminated or without retiring). If an Athlete is eliminated or retires from the first Competition he shall be penalised with 20 Penalties more than the Athlete with the highest number of Penalties. If the Athlete concerned has himself received the highest number of Penalties before being eliminated or retiring, 20 Penalties will be added to his Score. If for any reason one or more of the qualified Athletes are unable to start, they will not be replaced.

All Athletes who complete round A go forward to round B. The Penalties in both rounds are added.

Athletes will be invited to inspect the course of round B.

##### 4.2.2. Starting order

The starting order for round A will follow the reverse order of Penalties incurred in the first and second qualifying Competitions of the Championship. In the event of equality of Penalties for any placing, the time of the first qualifying Competition will be the deciding factor for the starting order of the Athletes. The lowest placed Athlete qualified will therefore start as number one.

The starting order for round B will follow the reverse order of the Penalties incurred in the first and second qualifying Competitions as well as round A. The Athlete with the greatest number of Penalties will start first, the Athlete with the least Penalties will start last. In the event of Athletes with equal Penalties, the time of the first qualifying Competition will be the deciding factor for the starting order.

## ARTICLE 23 OBSTACLES AND COURSES

1. The course for the first qualifying Competition consists of 12 to 14 obstacles. Height 1.25 m maximum, with a proportional spread between 1.00 m and 1.30 m.
2. The course for the team final Competition and for the second qualifying Competition of the individual Championship consists of 12 to 14 obstacles, including one double and one triple or three doubles. If the water jump is used in the team Competition, a vertical obstacle must be placed over the water jump in the second round; this obstacle is judged as a vertical obstacle, not as a water jump (see JRs Art. 211.10).  
Height: 1.25 m maximum (both rounds) with a proportional spread between 1.00 m and 1.30 m.  
Speed: 350 m per minute.
3. In Round A of the individual Championship, the course must consist of 10 to 12 obstacles, including three doubles or one double and one triple, of a maximum height of 1.30 m with a proportional spread between 1.00 m and 1.35 m.  
Round B must be different from Round A, consisting of eight to ten obstacles, including one triple or one double.  
Height: 1.30 m maximum with a proportional spread – both at the discretion of the Technical Delegate.  
Speed: 350 m per minute.
4. In the case of a jump-off, either for team classification or for the individual classification, a reduced course over six obstacles, in which the dimensions of obstacles cannot be greater than the dimensions of obstacles in Round B.  
Speed: 350 m per minute.
5. The obstacles for the farewell Competition must have a height of approximately 1.20 m and a spread of 1.25 m approximately.  
Speed for the farewell Competition: 350 m per minute.

## ARTICLE 24 TEAM CLASSIFICATION

1. The team classification is decided by adding the Penalties incurred by the best three Athletes of each nation in the first qualifying Competition and in each of the two rounds of the Team Championship.  
For those teams not qualified for the second round the results of the best three Athletes per team in the first qualifying Competition and in the first round of the Team Championship count.

Team Athletes not completing the first or second round receive 20 Penalties more than the worst-placed team Athlete, who has finished that particular round.

2. In the case of equality between the teams for first, second and/or third place, a jump-off against the clock is necessary, in which all the team Athletes participate. If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the first and second place. The classification in this jump-off is obtained by adding the Penalties and the times incurred by the best three Athletes in each team.
3. In case of further equality (Penalties and time), the teams will be placed equal.
4. In case of equality of Penalties for any other placing, the teams will be placed equal.
5. In addition to the team classification there will be an individual classification with prizes for this Competition.
6. Teams taking part in Non-Open Championships from NFs outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held, may participate in the team Competition, but will not receive a team classification. They may receive prizes for the individual classification in the team Competition.

## **ARTICLE 25 INDIVIDUAL CLASSIFICATION**

1. The individual placing is determined for each Athlete by adding the Penalties incurred in the first qualifying Competition, both rounds of the second qualifying Competition (disregarding the Penalties incurred in the jump-off, if any) and rounds A and B of the third Competition (Individual Final).
2. In case of equality of Penalties for the first, second and/or third place a jump-off, against the clock is compulsory (see Article 23.4 of this Annex).

If two jump-offs are required, the jump-off for the third place shall precede the jump-off for the second and first place. In case of further equality of Penalties and time, the Athletes will be placed equal.
3. Athletes taking part in Non-Open Championships from NFs outside the Continent or Region in which the Championship is held, may participate in the Final individual Competition if qualified, but are not allowed to take part in the jump-off for individual medal placings. Their Penalties from rounds A and B are added to give them their classification in the Competition.
4. Two classifications for the Individual Final Competition must be provided; one for the individual medal winners; and another for all Athletes taking part in the Competition. For the latter classification, only the results from Rounds A and B count. Athletes with equality of Penalties are placed equal.

## **ARTICLE 26 GROUND JURY**

1. The President of the Ground Jury must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director, in consultation with the Jumping Committee, in accordance with the GRs. The OC appoints the members of the Ground Jury in accordance with the GRs and the JRs.

## **ARTICLE 27 FOREIGN TECHNICAL DELEGATE**

1. The Foreign Technical Delegate must be appointed by the FEI Jumping Director, in consultation with the Jumping Committee, in accordance with the GRs.

## **ARTICLE 28 VETERINARY COMMISSION**

1. The composition of the Veterinary Commission and the appointment of the President and members must comply with the requirements of the VRs.

## **ARTICLE 29 APPEAL COMMITTEE**

1. The composition of the Appeal Committee and the appointment of the President and members must comply with the requirements of the GRs.
2. An Appeal Committee is not compulsory at CSIch Events.

## **ARTICLE 30 FALLS**

1. The first fall of the Athlete or Horse eliminates the Athlete from the Competition. This includes Championship Competitions, as well as Nations Cup Competitions. Nevertheless, the Athlete may take part in the second round of the FEI National Cup Competition and in the second round of the team Championship Competition providing that the official doctor and the Ground Jury give their approval. The Athlete eliminated is penalised with 20 Penalties more than the worst placed Athlete in the concerned round.

## **ARTICLE 31 SAFETY**

1. At the discretion of the Ground Jury, an Athlete unable to control his Horse may be forced to retire from the Competition or the Event with the Horse in question.
2. For Children competing on stallions, a designated adult must be responsible for the supervision of the stallion during the Horse Inspection and Veterinary Examination.



**ANNEX XIII RULES FOR AMATEUR OWNER CATEGORY**

1. An amateur owner Category for International Events has been established.
2. The following criteria define amateur owner status:

**ARTICLE 1 REQUIREMENTS**

1. To be considered an "Amateur Owner" :
  - 1.1 The Athlete must be the owner of the Horse(s) with which he competes. Ownership may be extended to the immediate family members.
  - 1.2 The Athlete must possess a valid licence granted by his NF and be registered with the FEI. Horses must be registered with the FEI and for Category A have a valid FEI passport or a national passport with an FEI recognition card.
    - 1.2.1 An "Amateur Owner's" license will only be granted by NFs to an Athlete who has formally signed a statement that he does not earn money for riding other people's Horses, giving riding lessons, riding sponsored Horses, or for publicity or commercial purposes, etc. The buying and selling of Horses, as well as receiving prize money in cash, are not forbidden providing they do not constitute the Athlete's only source of income.
  - 1.3 The "Amateur Owner" status limits participation in other Competitions and Championships. Athletes having obtained or renewed the "Amateur Owner" license, will not be allowed to continue participating as an Amateur during the current calendar year if they have taken part in international or national Competitions in which the height of obstacles in the initial round is 1.50 m or greater. This means for example that a Young Rider who has obtained his Amateur license and who reaches the Individual Final Competition at the Continental Championships for Young Riders may no longer participate as an Amateur for the remainder of that year. An Athlete may apply to his NF to reinstate his Amateur Owner license after a waiting period according to the regulations of the NF but under no circumstances during the same calendar year.
  - 1.4 Athletes may participate in all Amateur Competitions from the year in which they reach the age of 14 years.

Athletes from the year in which they reach their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday until the end of the year in which they reach their 13<sup>th</sup> birthday may participate in Amateur B Competitions.
2. A Junior, Pony Rider or Child may never ride in a Competition for their category and also in a Competition for Amateurs at the same Event (refer to JRs Art. 255).
3. Horses must be minimum seven years old to take part in Category A Amateur Events and Amateur Championships and minimum six years old to take part in Category B Amateur Events.

**ARTICLE 2 INTERNATIONAL EVENTS**

1. International Events for "Amateur Owners" can be organised for a Category A group consisting of Competitions with a height of between 1.30 m and 1.40 m maximum and a width of 1.55 m maximum (except the triple bar), and a Category B group consisting of Competitions with a height of between 1.15 m and 1.25 m maximum and with a width of 1.40 m maximum (except the triple bar).
2. International Events would be open to individual Athletes of the host NF and a limited number of foreign Athletes.
3. Maximum global entry fee per Horse per Event: € 1500 (one thousand five hundred Euros).
4. International Events must comply with the FEI rules for International Jumping Events. All Event draft Schedules must be submitted to the FEI for approval.

**ARTICLE 3 CHAMPIONSHIPS**

1. When Continental or Regional Championships for this Category are organised, the Competition formula to be used must follow the formula for Continental Championships for Seniors.

**ARTICLE 4 COURSE DESIGNERS**

1. The Course Designer is appointed by the OC, chosen from the list of FEI Level 3 Course Designers at least.

**ARTICLE 5 FACILITIES**

1. All expenses relating to Competitions, transportation, travel, hotel accommodation and expenses at border crossings are borne by the Athlete.

**GLOSSARY OF TERMS SPECIFIC TO JUMPING**

- Disobedience: refer to Article 219;
- Disqualification: refer to Article 242.1;
- Elimination: refer to Article 241.1;
- Fault: any incident during an Athlete's round that will incur Penalties or Elimination (refer to Article 236 for Penalties imposed for Faults under Table A and Article 239 for Penalties imposed for Faults under Table C);
- Grand Prix: one of the most prestigious Competitions of an Event;
- Penalty (Article 216): a sanction imposed on an Athlete as the result of a specific action considered to be a Fault;
- Pony: A Pony is a small equine whose height at the withers, having been measured on a smooth level surface, does not exceed 148cm without shoes or 149cm with shoes. Ponies measured at competition must not exceed 150cm without shoes or 151cm with shoes in order to be permitted to compete. This tolerance is only to be considered when FEI measuring takes place at competition;
- Refusal: refer to Article 221;
- Resistance: refer to Article 223;
- Run-out: refer to Article 222;
- Schedule (Article 265.1): a document containing information concerning details of Competitions and the technical conditions under which an Event will be run, submitted to the FEI for approval via the NF of the OC. The Schedule for Events of 3\* level and above must be approved by the FEI; the Schedule for Events of 1\* and 2\* level are approved by the host NF
- Score (Articles 237 and 239.4): the result obtained by an Athlete during his round, determined by adding the Penalties for Faults on obstacles and time Penalties (for Table A Competitions) or by adding the time of the round, including the seconds for time correction if any, plus four seconds for each obstacle knocked down (three seconds during a jump-off or the second phase of a two-phase Competition) (for Table C Competitions);
- Sponsor Teams: refer to Article 265;
- Table A: refer to Article 236;
- Table C: refer to Article 239.

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